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Rival plans for the future of welfare

Dole system to be replaced by 'workfare'

BY NICHOLAS WOOD, JILL SHERMAN AND JONATHAN PRYNN

A TOUGH new benefits regime designed to propel thousands of long-term jobless off the dole was unveiled by ministers yesterday as the future of the welfare state moved to the top of the political agenda.

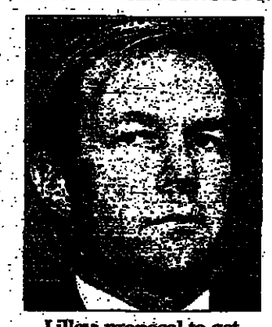
Peter Lilley and Michael Portillo, the right-wing axis running the employment and social security departments, joined forces to put the idea of workfare at the core of the Government's strategy for getting people back to work.

In the clearest statement of the Government's intention to rewrite the welfare ground rules, Mr Portillo said: "Those who have been unemployed for a long period of time will be required perhaps to turn up on a training course, possibly to turn up and do a job of work which may be of value to the community."

At the same time, Labour unveiled its plans for a far-reaching overhaul of the welfare state by publishing the report of the Social Justice Commission set up by the late John Smith two years ago. The report, *Strategies for National Renewal*, proposes:

- ☐ taxation on child benefit for high earners;
- ☐ a national minimum wage;
- ☐ a guaranteed minimum pension;
- ☐ a part-time workers' benefit; and
- ☐ wage subsidies for employers taking on the long-term jobless.

As Mr Lilley attacked the report, saying it contained 18 spending pledges in its first 13 pages, Tony Blair, the Labour leader, was quick to distance himself from its most expensive ideas. Sir Gordon Borrie, the commission chairman, insisted that over a proposed 15-year implementation period the package would be self-financing, but Mr Blair pulled back from a full endorsement.



Lilley: proposal to get people back to work

He welcomed the main thrust of the document, claiming it opened up "a second generation" of welfare provision, but made clear that he would pick and choose policies rather than adopt all of the commission's recommendations. "The report is not, and is not meant to be, a manifesto. It is the work of an independent commission. Commissions write reports; parties write manifestos."

In a Commons statement on the White Paper, *Jobseeker's Allowance*, Mr Lilley set out the Government's plans to change the law over the coming year so that unemployment benefit and income support for the jobless are replaced by a single new benefit — the jobseeker's allowance. It would come into effect in April 1996. Mr Lilley said that the new approach would save £200 million in a full year plus additional savings from cutting the dole queues, now standing at more than 2.5 million.

Donald Dewar, the shadow Social Security Secretary, criticised the way the Government had cut from 12 months to six months the period of no-strings state cover against unemployment for which people had paid their National Insurance contributions. It would affect 250,000 people.

Payment of the new allowance is to be made conditional on claimants agreeing to follow individual back-to-work programmes drawn up by Jobcentre staff. Staff will have the power to direct claimants to polish up their job-seeking skills or do community work such as clearing up derelict land.

Those who refuse to abide by the new rules face the temporary loss of all their benefits. These "sticks" are balanced by "carrots" designed to boost incentives for taking a job and to minimise the "unemployment trap".

Mr Lilley said: "The benefit system has a vital role to play in helping unemployed people into jobs. It should help the jobseeker and motivate the job-shy."

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JAMES MORGAN

Mr Walker with his wife Jean and daughters Sarah, left, and Romla after the verdict yesterday: "Thank God I have been found not guilty"

George Walker free after £19m fraud trial

BY JON ASHWORTH

GEORGE Walker, the former champion boxer who created the Brent Walker leisure empire, was cleared of theft and false accounting at Southwark Crown Court yesterday after a trial which lasted four and a half months.

Mr Walker, 65, had been accused of "orchestrating" a £19.3 million profits fraud at Brent Walker's film division. His co-defendant, Wilfred Aquilina, 43, former group finance director, was convicted of one charge of false accounting and was granted conditional bail before sentencing on November 10.

It took the jury nearly seven days to reach a decision. Mr Walker's wife, Jean, and daughters, Sarah and Romla, were close to tears as the verdicts were read out. His brother Billy, the former "Blond Bomber", said: "It's the right decision, isn't it? It's unbelievable."

Crowds gathered outside Chancery Lane, central London, as Mr Walker and his family left the court. He said: "This is a case that should never have been brought. I'm absolutely sure I am not guilty, and that goes for Wilfred too. Thank God for me I have been found not guilty, which I always expected I would."

The outcome is another defeat for the Serious Fraud Office, which faces an uncertain future in the light of criticism of the cost and complexity of fraud trials.

In a press conference, Mr Walker spoke of the strain of the trial. "I am relieved, but I don't feel like celebrating. It has been too long, too much tension ... We have all had our share of sleeping tablets ... of walking round in the middle of the night."

He made a scathing attack on the bankers who led to his being ousted from the Brent Walker board in 1991. "The banks have a lot to answer for," he said. He criticised the complexity of his trial, saying even the judge had had trouble following the case.

Mr Walker, who was declared bankrupt last year, already appears to be planning a comeback. He spoke of "tremendous" support from business friends, and said: "I do think I have something to give. The leisure business is something I know very well." His immediate aim was to "go home with my family, have dinner and go to bed".

The press conference was delayed for ten minutes after Mrs Walker and her daughters were trapped in a lift and had to be rescued. Reporters packed the press gallery while the nine men and two women jurors — one had dropped out sick — sat around a table deliberating the charges.

The court had heard how Mr Walker built an empire from a single petrol station in East London after retiring from boxing in the 1950s. He and his brother capitalised on their boxing, enjoying success with Punch Petrol and opening fast-food outlets called Billy's Baked Potato. By the late 1980s, Brent Walker had grown to embrace pubs, casinos, film-financing and property developments, including Brighton Marina and the Trocadero in central London.

In an impassioned 12 days in the witness box, Mr Walker repeatedly proclaimed his innocence. He had signed thousands of documents, relying on verbal explanations from senior lieutenants, and often found himself too tired to hold a pen. Papers approving multi-million pound deals with what appeared to be his signature were dated when he was away skiing.

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Troops leave streets of Londonderry

TROOPS stopped patrolling the streets of Londonderry yesterday for the first time in 25 years in a move seen as one of the most significant gestures to nationalists since the IRA ceasefire (Nicholas Watt writes).

Sinn Fein hailed the decision as the first tentative step towards the withdrawal of all the 18,500 troops from Northern Ireland. Unionists in Londonderry condemned the move as premature, however, and claimed that it left their community dangerously exposed. An Army spokesman confirmed that troops had been withdrawn to their barracks.

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Howard tells how he dealt with Al-Fayeds' passport application

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, POLITICAL EDITOR

THE battle between the Government and the Al-Fayed brothers took a fresh turn last night as Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, issued a detailed explanation of his role in their attempt to win British citizenship.

The Home Secretary intervened in an affair that has claimed one minister and still threatens the career of another as the Prime Minister decided to publish the findings of the inquiry by Sir Robin Butler, the Cabinet Secretary, into the cash-for-questions allegations against Neil Hamilton and Tim Smith.

The Al-Fayeds believe there had been a politically motivated campaign to stop their passport applications. In his statement issued last night Mr Howard disclosed that the applications had been referred to him on three occasions, but that each time he had said it was for his junior minister alone to decide. He gave a breakdown of the way the application by Ali Fayed, brother of Mohamed Al-Fayed, had been referred to him. Mr Howard said that Charles Wardle, who was then Immigration Minister, had referred the papers in the case to him in January this year because he wanted to discuss the case. He confirmed to Mr Wardle that the decision should be taken by him.

The case then came to his attention again when Mr Wardle's office referred to the Home Secretary the junior minister's intended decision on the application. It is understood that Mr Wardle intended to reject the application, although Mr Howard did not say that in his statement.

Mr Howard said only that the decision was to be taken by Mr Wardle, but he confirmed that he had suggested further inquiries should be made before a final decision was reached. He added that since Mr Wardle had been succeeded by Nicholas Baker after the ministerial reshuffle in July he had told the new minister that he wanted him to deal with the applications.

The Cabinet Secretary's inquiry is understood to have covered claims going beyond those levelled at Mr Hamilton, the Corporate Affairs Minister, and Mr Smith, the former junior Northern Ireland Minister. Downing Street said Mr Major wanted to be as open as possible without publishing unsubstantiated allegations that may have been considered.



Howard: left decision to junior minister

There are also indications that Mr Major may signal his backing for a wider investigation into the whole question of MPs' interests outside the Commons. A source close to him said: "He wants to put a stop to all of this. He knows he has to do something."

Mr Major studied Sir Robin's report when he returned to London last night after his summit meeting with Albert Reynolds. It could be published as early as today.

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Tourist 'shot ten times'

Ivan Milat, the serial killer who murdered seven backpackers in Australia, shot a British tourist, Caroline Clarke, ten times in the head with a rifle with a silencer, a prosecutor told magistrates in Sydney yesterday.

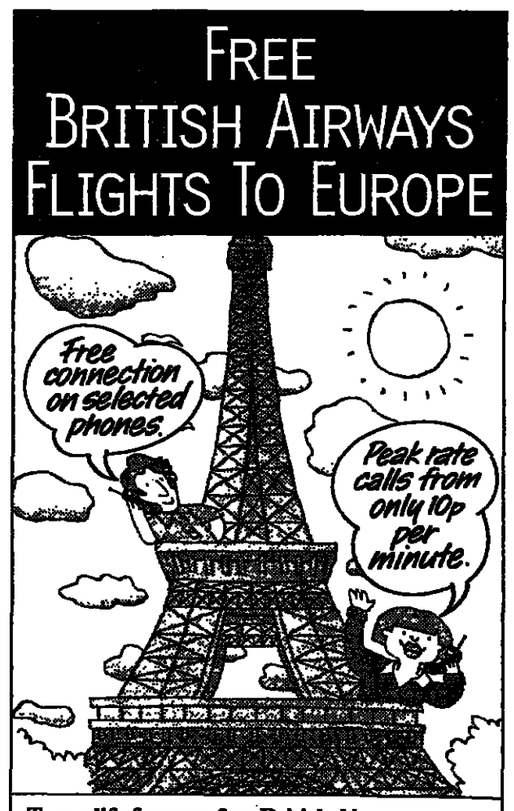
Parts from the gun were found behind a wall in his house; the silencer in his garage.....Page 13

£10 for Christmas

The £10 Christmas bonus will go to about 13.1 pensioners this year, the Social Security Department said last night. No government has increased the payment since it was introduced by Edward Heath in 1972. Indexation would have made it £65.70p this year.

Sri Lanka curfew

Sri Lanka imposed a statewide curfew after the bomb attack which killed Gamini Dissanayake, the opposition presidential candidate, and 56 other people, including several leading opposition figures.....Page 15



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Expulsions spiral as state schools battle 'yobs'

BY BEN PRESTON
EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

STATE schools are locked in a spiral of ill-discipline as record numbers of disruptive pupils are expelled and suspended.

Statistics obtained by *The Times* suggest that expulsions more than doubled last year in spite of government appeals that head teachers should use permanent exclusion only as a weapon of last resort. A Whitehall survey of 428 secondary schools in England found that almost 900 pupils were expelled in the academic year 1992-93, an average of more than two a school; one in eight schools expelled five or more pupils. Some 1,178 pupils were suspended indefinitely, with 9,699 pupils ordered out of school for fixed periods.

If the figures are reflected nationally — and the Office for Standards in Education says its sample is broadly representative — it suggests a dramatic increase in discipline problems, with more than 8,000 pupils expelled annually. Teachers' leaders immediately seized on the findings as evidence that they are bearing the brunt of a burgeoning "yob culture". A series of studies has shown a steady increase in the number of expulsions.

Education Department research found permanent exclusions rose by more than one-third, from 2,910 in 1990-91 to 3,833 in 1991-92.

The latest survey by the Office for Standards in Education recorded a further sharp increase, with huge differences in rates between schools. Some 163 secondaries did not expel any pupils; 205 schools expelled between one and four pupils; 47 expelled between five and nine pupils; and ten schools expelled more than ten. Comprehensives and secondary modern schools were more likely to expel pupils than grammar schools. None of the 19 grammars in the survey excluded five or more pupils permanently, compared with 45 of the 273 comprehensives and two of the 13 secondary moderns.

Nigel de Gruchy, general secretary of the National Association of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Teachers, said disruptive pupils were the biggest barrier to raising standards. But last night the Education Department said the national picture of permanent exclusions was extrapolated from a sample which might not be wholly representative. A spokeswoman said: "A number of the early inspections were targeted on schools that were giving cause for concern."

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Drink-drive killers' jail terms doubled

BY A STAFF REPORTER

THE crackdown on drink-driving was reinforced by the Court of Appeal yesterday when two motorists who killed while under the influence of alcohol had their 18-month prison sentences increased to four years.

Lord Taylor of Gosforth, the Lord Chief Justice, said the judges who jailed Simon Rayner and David Wing had paid insufficient regard to the aggravating factor of high alcohol consumption and that the sentences were "wholly inadequate". The court agreed with Sir Nicholas Lyell, QC, the Attorney-General, that the sentences must be increased.

Rayner, 33, of Huddersfield pleaded guilty at Leeds Crown Court in May to causing the death of Michael Bray by dangerous driving. Rayner's alcohol level was three times the limit when his car mounted the pavement and hit Mr Bray and three friends, who were injured.

Lord Taylor said Rayner had an unblemished character and driving record and had shown remorse. "But to be not just over the limit, but three times over the limit, is a very aggravating factor indeed," he said.

Wing, 40, of Stockton-on-Tees, was jailed at Teesside Crown Court in June for causing the death of Shirley Poulton by careless driving while two and a half times over the alcohol limit.

Mrs Poulton and her husband of 38 years were walking their dog on a footpath when they were hit by Wing's car. Lord Taylor said Wing, too, had pleaded guilty and had shown remorse.

But the court could not accept his counsel's argument that he was guilty of just a "momentary lapse". Wing's high blood-alcohol level "goes to the criminality of what was done", he said.

Lord Taylor, sitting with Mr Justice Scott Baker and Mr Justice Longmore, said they were applying guidelines laid down recently by the Court of Appeal after the Government last year increased the maximum sentence for causing death by dangerous driving from five years to ten years.

Lord Taylor said the new four-year jail terms passed yesterday took into account the fact that Rayner and Wing had faced the "double jeopardy" of being sentenced a second time and should not be taken as the proper level of sentencing by trial judges.

Deadlock in Ulster talks at Chequers

BY NICHOLAS WATT AND ARTHUR LEATHLEY

JOHN Major and Albert Reynolds failed yesterday to overcome key differences in their efforts to produce a framework document on new relationships between Britain and the two parts of Ireland.

The two prime ministers admitted that significant differences remained between London and Dublin after several hours of talks at Chequers.

The two governments are deadlocked over issues of sovereignty and the powers to be held by any cross-border institutions.

The Irish Government is pressing for cross-border institutions with executive powers but the British Government fears such a move will alarm Unionists and fuel suspicions that their ultimate destiny is a united Ireland. A contingent of Ulster loyalist leaders yesterday began a five-day tour of America to present their own perspective on the future of Northern Ireland.

The failure to reach agreement on the issues during discussions at Chequers meant that Mr Major and Mr Reynolds were unable to set a timetable for the production of the so-called Joint Framework Document. It was orginally scheduled to appear in July.

Both prime ministers instructed officials to study ways in which republican and loyalist paramilitaries can give up their arsenals of weapons.



John Byers, who was killed while travelling in Egypt

Shot holidaymaker's widow flies home

THE widow of the British holidaymaker who was shot dead in Egypt while the couple were celebrating their silver wedding anniversary arrived back in Britain last night (Andrew Pierce writes).

Linda Byers, whose husband John was killed at the weekend, was reunited with her 19-year-old daughter Claire at Heathrow. The couple's 18-year-old son David waited at the family home in Maidenhead, Berkshire. The couple had been aware of the recent attacks on foreign tourists by Muslim extremists.

They were in a party which was attacked in a minibus on its way to an ancient temple near Luxor. Mr Byers, 46, who was an information technology specialist, was shot in the chest. Mrs Byers, 48, suffered shoulder injuries. Another British couple and the party's driver were also injured.

'Dubiety' leads fearful minister into unknown territory

POLITICAL SKETCH

Even into social security policy has the aura of sleaze now permeated. "Broken down between sex," Peter Lilley said yesterday. Madam Speaker looked up, startled. Snoozing journalists stirred in their seats. MPs were mystified. What could the Social Security Secretary mean?

Mr Lilley was being questioned in the Commons after his statement on the Jobseeker's Allowance. Sitting alongside the Employment Secretary, Michael Portillo, he had outlined a series of changes to the benefits system.

Lilley's Labour shadow, the formidably gloomy Donald Dewar, had expressed what Dewar called (and only Dewar would) a measure of "dubiety" on these proposals.

Mr Dewar's dubiety is extensive, some would say infinite. It seems at times to extend to the possibility that any work of man could ever produce any beneficial change, however slight, to the condition of man.

It extended yesterday to the question of the impact on women of the Government's plan. Dewar wondered how many women would be affected.

Lilley did not know. Mr Portillo, who would from time to time lean across with useful figures where helpful, appeared not to know either. Lilley muttered his apologies somewhat incoherently. Only one phrase was clearly audible, "broken down between sex".

Did he perhaps mean "broken down *by* sex"? Mr Lilley did look rather tired, though even "worn out" would be taking it too far, and few would describe him as broken down. Besides, it would be unusual for a minister to offer so personal an apology for his failure to provide figures.

The closest precedent that springs to mind was when Jerry Hayes (C, Harlow), in mid-speech to the Tory conference in 1993, stumbled on his words, threw up his hands and said to a thousand delegates: "I'm making a hash of this, I know. I had a hard night last night."

But surely ministers do not do that? Any minister tempted at the dispatch box to use this excuse for his lack of homework would hardly choose Donald Dewar as a sympathetic ear.

Tall, stooped and dry, Mr Dewar has a prosecuting intellect and an unforgiving tongue. He exudes a sort of bleak, gale-lashed Calvinism. To Mr Dewar, sex, far from being an excuse for ill-preparedness, would compound the error, adding to the charge of indolence the aura of sin. With Mo Mowlam, perhaps, or just possibly Clare Short, one might enter a plea of personal dissipation in mitigation for not having swotted up one's answers, but not Dewar.

Could it be, then, that Lilley meant not "sex" but "sexes": "broken down between sexes"?

A mental picture of a transvestite by a conked-out car, summoning the AA, swam into our minds, but this was a long way from the Social Security Secretary's responsibilities.

We dismissed it. There was no choice but to accept his words as spoken. Your sketchwriter's guess is that what Mr Lilley wanted to say was that he could not provide the figures Mr Dewar wanted, broken down by sex.

But, as he approached this phrase, some sixth sense warned him off it. The tabloid headline: LILLEY: 'BROKEN DOWN BY SEX' loomed in his imagination. At the last minute he veered off it, clutching wildly at an alternative. Probably he meant to choose the phrase "broken down between the sexes".

Panic intervened and it ended up as "broken down between sex". Between sex and what? We may never know.

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Howard tells how he handled Fayeds

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Home Secretary yesterday, Mr Howard obtained another High Court injunction against the *Financial Times* preventing it publishing "certain allegations" about him. The action was taken by Mr Howard privately and he is paying for his own legal fees.

In the meantime, the future of Mr Hamilton was developing into a bizarre Left-Right tussle. There was fury on the Right at the lukewarm backing for Mr Hamilton offered by David Hunt, the Left-leaning Cabinet troubleshooter on Sunday. Downing Street appeared to offer less than wholehearted endorsement when it said: "Mr Hamilton is a member of the Government and the Prime Minister has confidence in all members of his Government."

But the Right hit back. Michael Portillo took the lead. He said last night: "The Prime Minister said Neil Hamilton should remain in the Government to fight his case. It is the Prime Minister's opinion that matters to me."

Interviewed on BBC Radio's *The World at One*, he said: "We have to be careful of asking people to resign just because they have been accused of things when nothing has been proved. That would make ministers a sitting target. He should be allowed to defend himself while he continues to be a minister."

Sir George Gardiner, the leading right-wing backbencher, backed calls at the weekend from leading Tory figures such as Lord Howe, Sir Norman Fowler and John Biffen, for a public inquiry into MPs' ethics. Sir George also argued that Mr Hamilton had the right to prove his innocence while remaining in office.

He said: "This idea that someone facing such accusations should immediately be banished to the back benches, be almost presumed guilty and have to establish his innocence through a libel action that may last two or three years, is quite unacceptable."

The renewed battle over Mr Hamilton's future came as the newly forged alliance between Tiny Rowland, joint chief executive of Lonrho, and Mohamed Al-Fayed suffered a severe setback.



Mohamed Al-Fayed: He recorded conversation

Mr Rowland spoke angrily yesterday of Mr Al-Fayed's decision to record a discussion that the two former rivals had held over a private lunch at Harrods last Thursday. Mr Rowland told *The Times*: "I was invited to a private lunch for a private chat. I had no idea that this discussion was being tape-recorded."

Mr Rowland said that during the lunch there were "lots of jokes", including a 15-minute conversation about Mr Al-Fayed wanting to go to America for a penis transplant.

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Britain seeks to protect animals

Britain is pressing for Europe-wide legislation to protect farm animals in transit, to restore exports to the Continent which have been limited because of concern about cruelty. At a meeting in Luxembourg yesterday, William Waldegrave, the Agriculture Minister, proposed a 15-hour limit on the time livestock could be transported without a break for rest, food and water.

Fall inquiry

The death of Joseph Nnahue, a Nigerian man who fell from the third floor of his south London home after immigration officers arrived there, is to be investigated by the Police Complaints Authority and Scotland Yard's Criminal Investigation Bureau.

Pay-off stopped

Huddersfield University yesterday bowed to pressure from MPs and government advisers and withdrew a £400,000 pay-off for Professor Kenneth Durrands, who is retiring as Vice-Chancellor after an overwhelming vote of no-confidence by students and staff.

Mail revolt

A ninth Conservative MP, Patrick Cormack, added his name to a Commons motion opposing the Royal Mail sell-off, adding to fears of a backbench Tory revolt. However, a Government source said the difficulties were not "insurmountable".

M4 crash study

Crash barriers on the M4 were being examined after the death of a motorist whose car somersaulted on to the opposite carriageway. The new four-strand wire rope barrier is supposed to cushion the impact and bounce vehicles back on the road.

BBC overtaken

Commercial radio has more listeners than the BBC for the first time, Independent stations have 27.72 million adult listeners, 83,000 more than the BBC, according to Radio Joint Audience Research figures for the third quarter of the year. The BBC lost 3.4m listeners.

Prison chaos

The smuggling of drugs and alcohol at Lancaster jail is out of control, with prisoners sometimes under the influence of alcohol at the end of visits, according to a report published today by Judge Tumim, chief inspector of prisons, who calls for countermeasures.

Lottery joy

An unemployed father-of-three from Cobh, Co Cork, won IR£1 million in the Irish Lotto this weekend after the jackpot was increased to compete with the new British lottery. Vincent Keaney, 39, said: "I can't believe this. I've never won a dime in my life."

Chunnel sell-out

Seats on the first Eurostar passenger service to Brussels through the Channel Tunnel sold out within nine hours of tickets going on sale yesterday. There were a few tickets left last night for the first train to Paris. Both services start on November 14.

Road beats rail

Most people want more money spent on public transport but would still use their own cars, a study for the Transport Department found. Even with massive investment on a rail route only 1 per cent of motorists would opt to use trains, the report said.

Kiss vindicated

Samantha Hume, a stewardess who kissed her boyfriend, a chef, while they were working on an offshore oil rig was awarded £2,500 by an industrial tribunal after she was sacked but he was demoted. The Aberdeen tribunal ruled that it was sex discrimination.



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Double killer's confession ends two-year mystery

BY RICHARD DUCE

A DOUBLE killer who had stayed silent for two years about his first victim, while an innocent man was charged with murder, was jailed for life yesterday.

Paul Allison eventually confessed, while awaiting trial for killing a second woman, to strangling Alison Stroud, 26, a bank clerk, after breaking into her home.

His confession to a prison chaplain finally lifted the cloud of suspicion that had hung over Miss Stroud's former boyfriend, who spent four months in custody before magistrates threw out the case against him. Colin Elliott, 34, who worked with Miss Stroud at Northumberland County Council's education department, eventually lost his job and was forced to move away from the area.

Allison, 25, of Bedlington, Northumberland, admitted at Newcastle upon Tyne Crown Court the murder of Miss Stroud in May 1991 and of Joan Douglas, a neighbour, two years later in March 1993.

After the murder of Mrs Douglas, Allison had tried to blame a close friend for the murder but eventually confessed during his eleventh interview with police.

Mr Justice May said both murders were abhorrent and that he would recommend to the Home Secretary that the life sentences should be lengthy. "The circumstances are chilling. Your actions at and after the murders indicate a propensity to which all right-minded people would react with horror," he said.

"Quite apart from the horror of taking human lives in this way the effect on the relatives, friends and acquaintances will be profound and irreparable."

John Milford, QC, for the prosecution, said Miss Stroud was an attractive, intelligent, educated and popular woman who had returned to her home in Bedlington after a night out with a friend.

Allison was later to confess that he had climbed through a bathroom window to find Miss Stroud asleep in bed. He said that after chatting to her for two hours she consented to sex, a claim strongly contested by Mr Milford on the basis of scientific evidence. The court was told that Allison bound Miss Stroud's hands and feet with her stockings and told her: "Alison, I will have to kill you. I am going to kill you." He then strangled her.

Mr Milford said Allison struck again in March 1993 when he stabbed his neighbour Mrs Douglas, 50, to death after she too returned from an evening out. Mrs Douglas, who was separated from her husband, discovered Allison had broken into her home and armed herself with a knife for protection.

"There was a brief struggle, she was quickly overpowered and disarmed then stabbed fatally in the chest. As she lay face down on the floor her throat was cut a number of times," Mr Milford said.

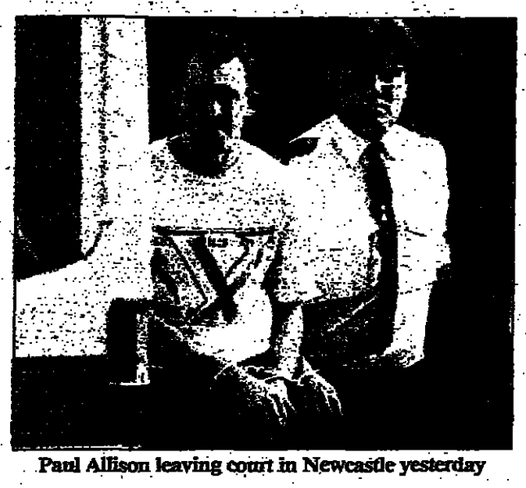
James Chadwin, QC, for the defence, said that without his jail confession Miss Stroud's killer might never have been found. "He thought it right to make the admission about that earlier killing for the sake of the young woman's family."

Mr Elliott, who had always maintained his innocence, is now understood to be living in the Nottingham area and considering legal action against the police.

He was arrested and charged six months after Miss Stroud's murder and then spent four months on remand at Durham jail before magistrates ruled that there was no case against him.

His solicitor, Jim Errington, said last night: "I remain instructed by Mr Elliott, but he does not wish me to comment on any further action which might be taken."

Supt Peter Smith, who led the inquiry that led to the prosecution of Mr Elliott, would not comment about the case yesterday. However, he said: "I am very pleased for the families of the two women that this is now over. Hopefully, they can now start to put things behind them."



Paul Allison leaving court in Newcastle yesterday



Amanda Minko leaving court yesterday after being cleared of whipping her lover's former girlfriend with a riding crop during a fight in a tack room

Stable girl cleared of whip attack

A STABLE worker was cleared yesterday of horse-whipping her boyfriend's former lover. In a tale of passion and violence, St Albans Crown Court was told how Amanda Minko and Julie Brockbank, both 27, fought in a tack room on Christmas Eve last year.

During the trial it was alleged that Miss Minko, the girlfriend of William Harvey, 39, the stable boss's son, took a riding crop to Miss Brockbank.

The jury was told that Miss Brockbank, a saleswoman, was Mr Harvey's former girlfriend and that the two had had a daughter. The prosecution alleged that Miss Minko hit Miss Brockbank with a riding crop after the other woman sped past her horse in a country lane.

But Miss Minko, who lives and works at Cheshunt Park Farm Stables in Hertfordshire, claimed that she was attacked by Miss Brockbank when she confronted her about the driving incident.

The jury acquitted Miss Minko of causing actual bodily harm after a two-day trial. Earlier, the court had been told how both women had been romantically involved with Mr Harvey.

Claudius Algar, for the defence, claimed that Miss Brockbank was jealous of the relationship between Mr Harvey and Miss Minko, and began following the two of them.

Miss Minko told the jury: "She used to follow us around. If I met him in a pub she would always make sure she was there. Once there was an argument. I stayed out of it but Mr Harvey had to tell Julie to go away and leave us alone."

Miss Minko alleged that Miss Brockbank had driven past her horse on previous occasions. She claimed that Miss Brockbank sped up as she passed her on Holy Cross Hill, close to the stables, on Christmas Eve last year.

She said: "She put her foot down and revved her engine and splashed my horse. She knew it was me and I knew it was her as she came towards us. The horse jumped to the side and went in a ditch."



Julie Brockbank: denied jealousy

Miss Minko admitted that she was angry when she got back to the stables, where Miss Brockbank was mucking out her own horse. There was a showdown in the tack room, where Miss Minko asked: "Don't you slow down for horses?"

The jury was told that there was then a fight in which Miss Brockbank sustained a cut to the head that needed a stitch. Miss Brockbank, of Harlow, Essex, who has since moved her horse from the stable, alleged that Miss Minko hit her five or six times with the metal handle of a riding crop.

She denied speeding past the horse and claimed Miss Minko hit her on the head from behind. Miss Minko denied this, saying Miss Brockbank hit her on the face.

Mr Algar asked the jury to consider if Miss Brockbank was a reliable witness: "Amanda has said, 'Yes, I was angry', but was a greater degree of anger simmering and burning in Julie's mind?"

Miss Brockbank denied she was jealous and, after the case, said she had been in hospital when she was alleged to have been following the couple.

'This is a man who simply loved to be loved. He did not have friends'

Bank worker stole £½m to buy affection

BY A STAFF REPORTER

A BANK executive stole half a million pounds so he could live the high life with two mistresses and send his local football club on international tours, a court was told.

Graham Doughty, who used bank funds to fly Concorde, take lavish holidays and buy a home, a business and a car for one girlfriend, was jailed for 4½ years yesterday at Birmingham Crown Court. Doughty, a married man from Stonall, Staffordshire, admitted 11 charges of theft from TSB.

The court was told that he had worked at the bank's headquarters for 25 years and risen to corporate affairs manager, with a salary of £32,000.

As co-ordinator of two staff sporting activities accounts, Doughty, 43, embezzled company charge card funds and forged signatures on cheques over two and a half years. The thefts came to light in January after audit changes.

Graham Cliff, for the prosecution, said that as well as spending £350,000 on his mistresses, Doughty had written cheques totalling £141,000 to Hawthorne Rangers Football Club, the local league club he had founded in 1972. He paid for club tours to Spain, Italy, Germany and France and at the time of his arrest had booked a tour to Florida.

There was also luxury trips for his girlfriends. Mr Cliff said: "There was no expense spared. He took them on lavish holidays to places like the Seychelles, flew Concorde to New York and visited clubs like the Moulin Rouge in Paris."

When one of the women, Marilyn Dorran, had a child whom Doughty believed was his, he gave her money to pay for medical treatment for the child in America which was unnecessary. Philip Parker, QC, for the defence, said: "When she told him she was pregnant with his child in 1992, he showered her with money, set her up in a home and even bought her record shop business in Kent, which subsequently failed."

When the relationship ended and TSB moved its headquarters from London to Birmingham, Doughty met his second mistress, Rachel Nagar, and bought her a £62,000 flat in Edgbaston.

"By this time he was on a clear path to ruin," Mr Parker said. "All the time he was heavily subsidising his beloved football club." He also paid for parking passes and overseas holidays for colleagues.

Mr Parker described Doughty as lonely and depressed. "His marriage survived on companionship alone and one of the saddest issues between him and his wife was that she didn't want a child and he did.

"His abject loneliness at home made him more vulnerable and someone who was plainly seeking more attention ... although his job meant that he had many acquaintances and everybody liked him, he had no friends.

"We are talking about a disastrous two and a half years. This is a man who simply loved to be loved. It was not a case of stealing for greed but buying affection and clearly overdosing on other people's affections."

Mr Parker said Doughty had lost his job, his pension and TSB shares, but his wife was standing by him.

Judge Peter Crawford told Doughty: "It is the tragedy of your abilities, talent and record that you are standing in the place where you now stand."

Retrial after jury used ouija board

BY RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

A MAN jailed for life for double murder won a retrial yesterday because four members of the jury used a ouija board to "talk" to one of his alleged victims before jurors reached a verdict.

While the jury was staying overnight at a hotel, they had tried to consult the victim during a "drunken experiment". They asked, "Who did it?", and were allegedly told the defendant, Stephen Young, was responsible.

The Lord Chief Justice, Lord Taylor of Gosforth, quashed the convictions against Mr Young, who was jailed for life at Hove Crown Court in March for murdering Harry Fuller, 45, and his wife Nicola, 27. Mr Young, 35, from Pembury, Kent, will remain in custody until the retrial at the Old Bailey.

The Court of Appeal was told that after some jurors used a ouija board in an attempt to "talk" to Mr Fuller, there were discussions over breakfast by members of the jury.

Michael Lawson QC, for the Crown, said that the Court of Appeal should not "elevate a drunken experiment" into a recognition that it had some practical effect.

Lord Taylor, who was sitting with two other judges, will give reasons for their decision to order a retrial later.

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Neighbour who killed jailed for eight years

A NOISY neighbour who stabbed a man dead and attacked three other people was jailed for eight years yesterday for manslaughter.

Colin Shankland, 34, shattered the peace of families who had lived in a Cardiff street for more than 25 years. He revved his car early in the morning, played his radio loudly, shouted in the street and let his dog run wild.

Jurors heard the tape of a 999 call by a member of the Mullane family, who were watching television when Shankland burst in. Lynne Mullane, 25, pleaded with the operator: "He's just thrown a brick through the window — it's our neighbour, it's him! He's coming through the door, he's here, he's got a knife, he's got a knife. Get off! He's stabbing us. Please get someone round."

Miss Mullane was stabbed twice in the shoulder. Her father John, 61, was slashed across the face and her mother Eileen, 57, needed a blood transfusion after receiving a ten-inch chest wound.

Cardiff Crown Court was told that moments later another neighbour, Harry Stephenson, 51, was stabbed dead on his doorstep. Shankland was cleared of murder but found guilty of manslaughter on the ground of diminished responsibility. He was also found guilty of two charges of wounding and one of attempted wounding.

Student's taped interview described commando-style killing

BY ROBIN YOUNG

A FORMER Gordonstoun pupil described in recorded interviews how he killed a stranger with a commando-type "killing" knife he had persuaded his father to buy for him by mail order, a court was told yesterday.

In taped interviews with police played yesterday at the Central Criminal Court, Jamie Petrolini, 19, described how he had thrust the 16cm blade of the knife into the neck of his chance victim, Mohamed el-Sayed, a father of two young children, and then four or five times into his chest aiming at the man's heart. Mr Petrolini said he felt "like a vigilante getting rid of the bad in society" and regarded the killing as part of training for the SAS.

"At the time of actually doing it it didn't seem I was doing anything wrong," he told police in a long series of taped interviews played to the jury. Mr Petrolini said he had given the knife as a belated Christmas present to his friend, Richard Elsey, whom he had met at a private college in Oxford where they were studying to re-sit their A levels.

He said the knife had a diamond-shaped blade 16cm long tapering to a sharp tip and cost about £40. He had seen it advertised in a military magazine. "I asked my father to pay for it with his credit card, but I did not tell him what it was. I may have told him it was relevant for my preparation for the Paras, or as a birthday present for somebody."

In the taped interviews Mr Petrolini claimed that Mr Elsey, 19, of Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire, who both deny murder, had told him they had to go to London for him to get his "first blood" and to "slot somebody, slot meaning to kill". He said that after travelling to London by Express coach he and Elsey exchanged knives so that he carried the killing knife, because he did not think a knife Mr Elsey had given him was "suitable for the job".

In the recorded tapes Mr Petrolini said that after searching in vain for a pimp or drug dealer to kill in the King's Cross area of London he and Mr Elsey had gone to Queensway in west London where they decided to jump into a slow-moving car with only one man in it.

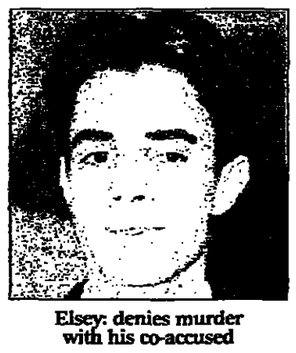
They let seven or eight pass, he said, and then a large chrome-coloured business car with only one man in it stopped at the junction.

Mr Petrolini said: "I got in very quickly and told the man: 'Don't move, I have a weapon'."

He said he reached over to unlock the rear door so that Mr Elsey could get in and sit behind the driver. "I said 'Rich' and he didn't say anything, which meant everything was OK, so I lifted the knife and struck him, aiming for just under the Adam's apple. I struck him slightly to the left and severed a vein. He grabbed the knife ..."

Mr Petrolini said Mr Elsey squeezed the man's neck to stop him yelling and put his other arm across his chest so he could not move. Mr Petrolini said: "I changed targets from his neck to his heart."

Mr Petrolini has admitted manslaughter on the grounds of diminished responsibility. The hearing continues today.



Elsey: denies murder with his co-accused



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Work on new Jubilee Underground line halted as fears grow over controversial tunnelling method

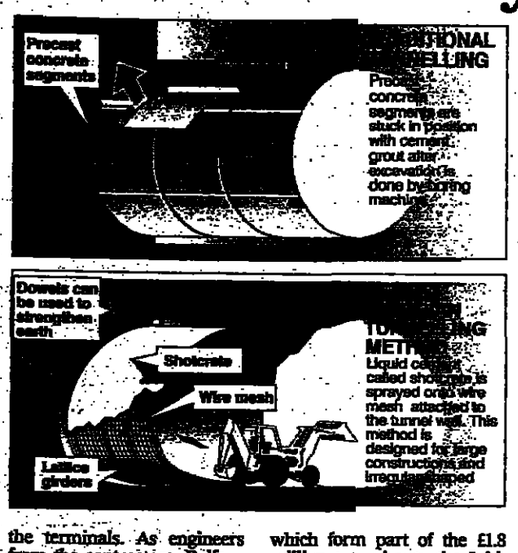
Airlines demand guarantee that Heathrow runway is safe

By Tim Jones and Harvey Elliott

INTERNATIONAL airlines have demanded cast-iron assurances that the runway at Heathrow, the world's busiest airport, will be unaffected by further tunnelling work for the new rail link to Paddington.

An airline executive said: "The present problem appears to have been contained, but further construction work under the runway is going to cause real problems unless we have a cast-iron assurance that it will be done properly. This is a question of crucial importance which must be taken on board at the highest level."

Work using the controversial New Austrian Tunnelling Method has progressed 180 metres to the north from below Terminal 3, stopping just short of the taxiway. It is planned to extend the concourse a further 20 metres, still short of the main runway but below the routes taken by heavy aircraft on their way to the terminals. As engineers from the contractors, Balfour Beatty, and BAA struggled to save buildings at Heathrow yesterday, all work was suspended on new stations at Waterloo and London Bridge which form part of the £1.8 million extension to the Jubilee Line.



The new stations are also being excavated by the Austrian method, which allows engineers to dispense with huge pre-cast steel or concrete casings to shore up excavations in large underground caverns. The method is used all over the world, but there was increasing concern last night over whether it was suitable for use in London clay.

Michael Meacher, Labour's shadow Transport Secretary asked Dr Brian Mawhinney, the Transport Secretary, for an assurance that all work using the tunnelling method would be suspended. "Thankfully, no lives have been lost, but it has been a costly and embarrassing episode."

Questions have also been raised over its safety after an accident in Munich on September 20 when three people died and dozens were injured. A bus fell into a crater formed when an railway tunnel being dug 70ft underground by the method collapsed. Some officials are blaming water seepage for the accident.

Last Saturday, a hole appeared on the pitch of Munich's Dante stadium during a match. Officials said this was also caused by a seepage of ground water through the roof of a U-Bahn tunnel being dug under the pitch, using the same drilling method.



Three people died when this Munich bus fell into a cavern created by tunnelling using the Austrian method

At Heathrow yesterday, Cambourne House, the two-storey office block which collapsed on Sunday, slipped again despite attempts by engineers to stabilise it by pumping concrete into caverns underneath. A multi-storey car-park at Terminal 3 close to the site of the landslip remains closed while engineers assess the strength of its foundations, and passengers at Terminal 3 face long waits for buses.

Travellers are still unable to reach Terminal 4 by Underground and if driving will encounter hold-ups, road closure and limited parking space. Heathrow Airport has appealed for travellers to use public transport, promising to give priority to buses and coaches and running a special double-decker bus shuttle service between Hatton Cross Underground station and Terminal 4.

A spokeswoman for Heathrow Express refused to speculate on the cause of the subsidence. "We are looking at every single angle and we have a team of structural engineers carrying out a full investigation," she said.

British Airways said yesterday that none of its flights had been affected and most passengers had been able to check in on time.

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Cancer treatment a lottery, says specialist

By Jeremy Laurance
Health Services Correspondent

TREATMENT for breast cancer in Britain is a lottery that leaves women frightened and confused and results in shocking variations in the death rate, according to a leading specialist.

Karol Sikora, professor of clinical oncology at Hammersmith hospital, says patients are being misdiagnosed and wrongly treated and in some cases have been left with severe side effects such as damaged nerves and muscles.

Professor Sikora, an adviser to the Government on cancer services and an acerbic critic of the medical establishment, writes in next month's *Reader's Digest* that the high death rate is caused by bad management rather than a lack of medical knowledge.

"In Britain, surviving breast cancer is a lottery. The recent mortality rate 'atlas' released by the Department of Health shows shocking geographical variations.

"Half of all women diagnosed with the disease are treated by general surgeons who see far too few cases to build up the expertise required to treat the disease properly. Some don't even try to keep up to date with current thinking."

"It's time to give British women the standard of treatment other countries take for granted. Time to end this cruel lottery," he says.



Downes: operation

Clerk gives brain tissue for research

AN EPILEPSY victim is donating brain tissue for pioneering research into the disease which marred her life since the age of seven and of which she is now cured.

Surgeons using advanced techniques successfully operated on Emma Downes, 22, a clerk in the Metropolitan Police, earlier this year. To help to find a cure, she has donated the brain tissue removed in the operation for a research project.

The study will be carried out by specialists from the National Epilepsy Alliance, a collaboration of the National Society for Epilepsy, the National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery and the Institute of Neurology. Scientists will try to establish whether there are abnormalities in the genes that cause epilepsy. If a genetic link is found, the next step may be to develop more effective drugs.

An evening with Joseph Heller



IN 1961, Joseph Heller achieved fame and fortune with the publication of *Catch-22*, his Second World War black-comedy blockbuster. Now, 33 years later, he has written the sequel to one of the most successful novels of the century. Joseph Heller will be talking about his new book, *Closing Time*, to Melvyn Bragg at a *Times*/Dillons Forum.

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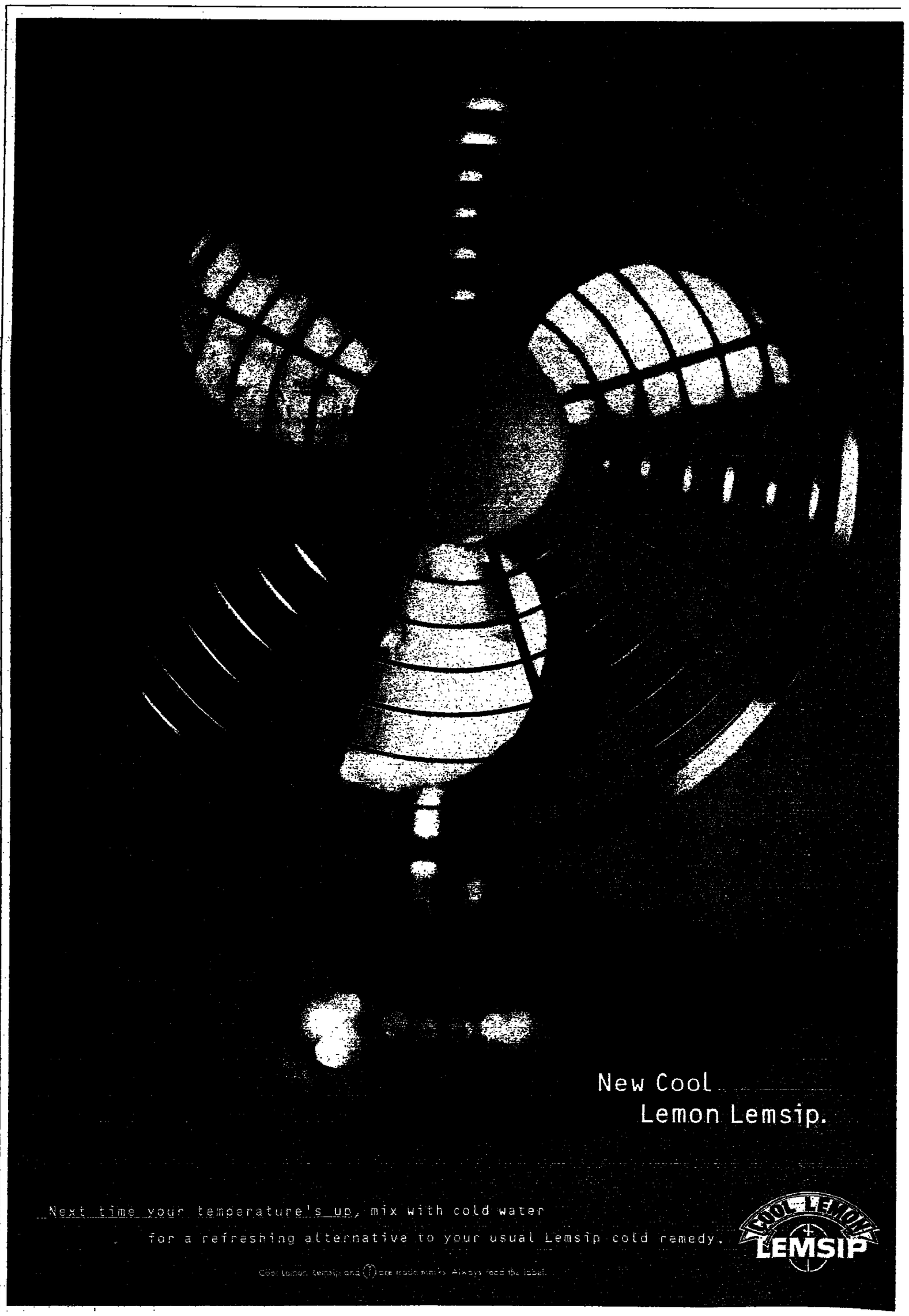
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Not guilty verdict sets the scene for George Walker's comeback in classic rags to riches tale

Streetwise ex-boxer ready for next round

BY JON ASHWORTH

THE George Walker story was always a best-seller in the making: the classic tale of an East End lad who rose from obscurity to create a multi-million pound empire.

The scenes were written long since. Walker, the 15-year-old, lugging fish at London's Billingsgate market. Walker, the champion boxer, battering his way to fame. Walker, the captain of industry, climbing into his helicopter en route to another make-or-break business meeting. Walker, the bankrupt, fighting a desperate last stand in the dock at Chichester Rents.

A new scene was added yesterday when the former leisure industry tycoon walked from Southwark Crown Court a free man, defying his enemies yet again and leaving the way clear for a remarkable comeback. The former champion was back on his feet.

Mr Walker has never been able to shrug off his boxing tag. To newspapers hailing his 1974 stockmarket debut, he was "the boxer from the fish market", the Stepney-born son of a brewer's drayman who went on to manage the career of his brother Billy, "the Blond Bomber", after an eye injury forced him out of the ring.

Ten years later, he was collaborating with Buckingham Palace on the making of *Mountbatten: The Last Viceroy*, a made-for-television series. Earlier films such as *The Stud* and *The Bitch* had worked wonders for Joan Collins and thrust Mr Walker into the league of big-time film-making.

A darker side to Mr Walker's early life was revealed in 1988, at the height of his corporate fame, when it emerged that he had served a jail sentence more than 30 years earlier for his part in a warehouse robbery at London's Royal Victoria Dock.

A former docker was later to recall: "They say it took a lot of policemen to apprehend George. Coppers were being knocked all over the place before he finally gave up." The episode put an end to a shadowy spell as "minder" for Billy Hill, an East End gangland king.

Mr Walker never tried to gloss over his past, writing off his clash with the law as the "foolish" actions of a young lad. He was rescued, as it were, by his wife-to-be, Jean Hatton, the daughter of a garage owner in Carming Town. Working from a room over a garage in West Ham, he spent the 1960s developing a stunningly diverse group of businesses, cashing in on his brother's success in the ring with Punch Petrol and a fast-food chain, Billy's Baked Potato. Hotels, betting shops, pubs and nightclubs were to follow.

The room in the East End gave way to a string of fashionable properties. The family home is a 15th century former rectory in the village of Fobbing, Essex. Mr Walker's *London pied-à-terre* was a £500,000 penthouse in Pall Mall; a convenient retreat until the banks forced him to give it up in 1991.

He was to strike an uneasy alliance with the City's blue-blooded merchant bankers and stockbrokers. "There is certainly a resistance that you feel — that I feel — from the old guard," he once said. "You know: ex-professional fighter, East End, left school at 14, what the bloody hell's he doing here? Must be crooked. Yet many successful businessmen come from backgrounds identical to my own."

Mr Walker has long been concerned with keeping in shape. His boxing injuries left him with a hearing defect and permanent double vision in his left eye. He compensated by keeping in trim, swimming at the RAC Club in central London and working out each morning. He climbed the Matterhorn when he was 50.

A sense of his energy and presence flooded the courtroom during the four-and-a-half month trial. During the late 1980s, he told an interviewer how he would release the stress of running the Brent Walker empire. "If I feel really uptight in the office, I close the door and roar like a lion.." he said. "It always does the trick."

There was another side to the tough, streetwise image. He confessed in the same interview to having his nails manicured — "a lot of people think its effeminate, but that's rubbish" — and revealed how, on a typical break, he "slept a lot", listened to Wagner and Louis Armstrong, read Wilbur Smith and played cribbage.

Mr Walker's social-standing soared in 1989 when his daughter, Sarah, married the Marquess of Milford Haven, a distant heir to the throne. Mr Walker bought her a £1 million home in London's Onslow Square and sponsored the marquess's polo team to the tune of £35,000 a year. Sarah remains a favourite. Mr Walker used to tell business associates of the time Sarah was pestered by an admirer in a crowded bar: she knocked him out.

Mr Walker was ever the family man. He and his wife and three children, Sarah, Jason and Romla, were often seen strolling around Brighton Marina, perhaps the ultimate symbol of Brent Walker's ambition. Mr Walker pictured an English *Côte d'Azur*, resplendent with luxury yachts, fine hotels and starlets sunning themselves by the water's edge. Others saw only a glorified housing estate, hemmed in by a drab concrete breakwater and bordered by a multi-storey carpark. It was joked that ships in distress would sooner sink than put in there.

Everyone has a story about George Walker. During his trial, a picture emerged of the ideas man, carried away by his enthusiasm for grand schemes, and leaving mundane paperwork to the "lieutenants" who ran the various Brent Walker divisions. Others laugh scornfully at the description of a man with no eye for detail. Nothing, they say, escaped his attention.

One former adviser describes Mr Walker as "totally endearing, amazingly honest, very generous, very kind. He was a big, decent, warm man". Another recalls walking backwards round Mr Walker's desk while the enraged boxer threw punches at him.

Mr Walker often spoke of the fear of failure that drove him on. "Anyone who has been poor must have that fear still and it stays with you all the time," he once said. "It's the boxing again. When you are down and you hear the count — six, seven, eight — you tell yourself you're not prepared to lose this fight. I have to get up and still win."

Yesterday, he did just that.

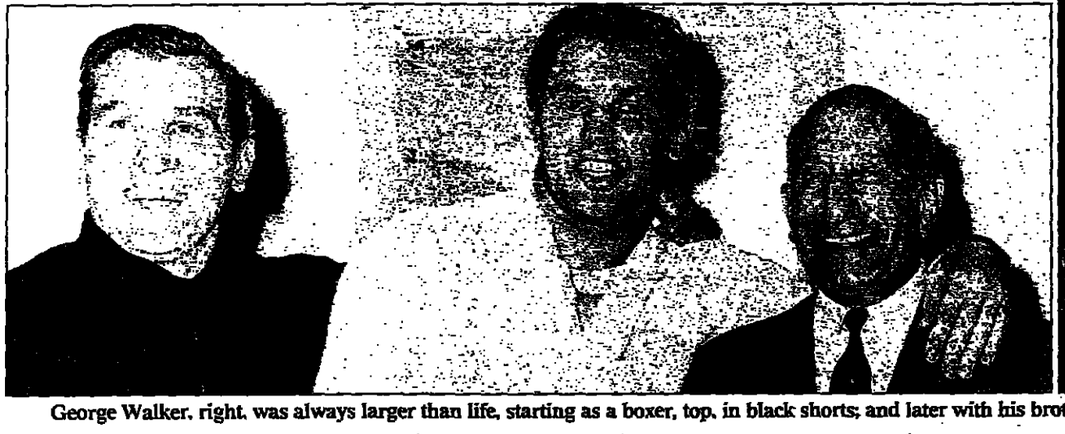
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BIOGRAPHY

- Born 1929 in Stepney, east London. Worked as Billingsgate porter.
- Won ABA title in 1951. After injury, managed boxing career of brother Billy. Invested winnings in taxis, lorries and petrol stations, expanding into entertainment.
- Took control of Hackney and Hendon greyhounds in 1974 and created Brent Walker. Developed Brent Cross shopping centre in north London. Sold centre for £5 million profit.
- Expanded fast in 1980s, culminating in £685 million purchase of William Hill in 1989.
- Troubles started in 1990. Sought £160 million rebate on William Hill deal.
- Stepped down as chairman of Brent Walker in January 1991. Ousted from the board.
- Arrested and charged with theft in 1993. Declared bankrupt.







George Walker, right, was always larger than life, starting as a boxer, top, in black shorts, and later with his brother Billy and the boxing promoter Harry Levene

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Lang Kidby, left, and Peter McMillan celebrate

Success as Vimy replica arrives safely in Darwin

BY MARIANNE CURPHEY

TWO pilots in a replica Vickers Vimy aircraft have landed safely in Darwin after a seven-hour flight from Kupang, Timor. It was the final leg of an adventure that successfully recreated the first flight from England to Australia 75 years ago.

Despite crash-landing in Sumatra and battling during their 40-day and 11,250-mile journey against constant headwinds and thunderstorms, Lang Kidby, 47, an Australian, and his 35-year-old American co-pilot, Peter McMillan, were unscathed.

The pair left Farnborough air show on September 11 to re-enact the flight pioneered by the Australian brothers Ross and Keith Smith in 1919. The original 28-day flight was 14 days quicker and Mr Kidby and Mr McMillan blamed bureaucratic time-wasting for holding them up.

Mr Kidby and Mr McMillan's journey, past Alpine peaks and deserts, almost came to an end when they crash-landed in a paddy field in Sumatra. As their aircraft spluttered to a halt in what they thought was a deserted spot, 300 machete-wielding villagers appeared.

"None of them had seen an aircraft before," said Mr McMillan, a San Francisco stockbroker.

"None could speak English and here we were in our leather flying suits and Biggles goggles sitting in a biplane with a 70ft wingspan in the middle of their rice paddy. As we started losing height, we searched around desperately for somewhere to land. There was nothing suitable until we spotted a narrow bit of land between an open field and a smoke-filled paddy.

"It was a really bumpy landing. We thought the area was deserted but hardly had we shut down our one good engine when we saw hundreds of villagers coming from nowhere, all carrying machetes they had been using for work in the fields.

"Their mouths were wide open and their eyes were popping out of their heads. They did not know whether to attack, run or just stare."

Eventually officials who could speak English arrived and the two pilots were provided with accommodation while a spare engine was shipped in from Australia.

The original Vimy crash-landed in Indonesia not far from where the replica came to grief.

KEENE on CHESS

BY RAYMOND KEENE
CHESS CORRESPONDENT

Polgar shines

AFTER eight rounds of the Sicilian Defence theme tournament in Buenos Aires, the Russian grandmaster Valery Salov holds the lead with six points.

However, the honour of having played the most brilliant game so far belongs to Judith Polgar of Hungary who overwhelmed the Latvian grandmaster Alexei Shirov with a stunning sequence of sacrifices.

White: Alexei Shirov
Black: Judith Polgar
Buenos Aires, October 1994

Sicilian Defence

1	e4	c5
2	Nf3	e6
3	d4	cxd4
4	Nxd4	Nc6
5	Nc3	d6
6	g4	a6
7	Be3	Nge7
8	Nb3	b5
9	f4	Bb7
10	Qf3	g5
11	fxg5	Ne5
12	Qg2	b4
13	Ne2	h5
14	gxh5	Nf5
15	Bf2	Qxg5
16	Na5	Ne3
17	Qg3	Qxg3
18	Nxg3	Nxc2+
19	Kd1	Nxa1
20	Nxb7	b3
21	axb3	Nxb3
22	Kc2	Nc5
23	Nxc5	dxc5
24	Be1	Nf3
25	Bc3	Nd4+
26	Kd3	Bd6
27	Bg2	Be5
28	Kc4	Ke7
29	Ra1	Nc8

White resigns

Diagram of final position



Two important variations must be pointed out. If White captures the black queen with 16 Qxg5 then 16 ... Nf3+ regains the queen with an immense advantage. Furthermore if White captures the black queen on move 17 with 17 Qxg5 then 17 ... Nf3 leads to a spectacular checkmate, with White's king boxed in by the black knight duo.

Richmond results

Results from the first round of the Richmond Chess Initiative were:

Berg (Denmark) v Agnos (Eng) 1-0, McShane (Eng) v Hinks-Edwards (Eng) 0-1, *Dinstuhl* (Ger) v Hennig (Ger) draw, Wall (Eng) v Bates (Eng) 0-1, Summerscale (Eng) v Rowson (Sco) 0-1.

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Welfare: Labour presented with reforms based on a hand-up rather than a handout

Commission offers tonic for 'tired, run-down country'

BY JILL SHERMAN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE Commission on Social Justice set up by the late John Smith presented a blueprint for welfare reform yesterday, with proposals to transform Britain's tax and benefit system and help the jobless into work.

Launching the long-awaited report, Sir Gordon Borrie, the chairman of the commission, said the changes represented the "biggest shake-up in welfare for 50 years". The Social Justice Commission was set up two years ago by the former Labour leader, to "think the unthinkable".

The report, *Strategies for National Renewal*, includes a ambitious proposals such as taxing child benefit for high earners, a national minimum wage, a guaranteed minimum pension, a part-time workers' benefit, and wage subsidies for employers taking on the long-term jobless.

Sir Gordon said the document, which touches on education, health and employment as well as recommending big changes to the benefit system, was a "rethink" rather than a "repackaging" of the 1940s Beveridge model. It offered a "hand-up rather than a handout", he said.

While he insisted that the 15-year strategy for reform was self-financing, the report contains a number or measures which would need pump-priming. However, it makes clear that previous Labour pledges including across-the-board increases for state pensions are unaffordable, and child benefit rises could only be funded out of tax changes.

Sir Gordon emphasised that the programme was not Labour policy and was not a manifesto for one Parliament. "Ours is our own independent, hard-headed plan for a new century," he said. "It is designed to help build the radical consensus for change that this country so badly needs," he added.

Mr Smith appointed Sir Gordon, the former director-general of the Office of Fair Trading, to head an independent inquiry, with a team of 16 commissioners, who included two Liberal Democrats, to produce policy proposals.

Sir Gordon said the commission was united in its feeling that Britain did not have to be the "tired, cynical and run-down country it is today".

One in five people were now on benefit and the gap between the highest and the lowest paid was greater than at any time since 1886. One in seven 21-year-olds had problems with basic reading and crime was Britain's fourth largest industry.

"As a country we are three times richer than we were in 1950, but we are not three times happier as a society."

The commission's programme showed how economic and social renewal had to be used to bridge the gap between potential and performance. However, hinting at some disagreements between the commissioners, he added: "Change will only come if we replace the old slogans of Left and Right with a new agenda adequate for the changing world in which we live."

The priority was to get people off benefit into work, Sir Gordon said. Reforms of the benefit system were essential to remove poverty traps which stopped people taking on work. A minimum wage should be introduced "that does not cost jobs but does attack the cost of subsidising exploitation pay"; the social insurance system needed to be modernised by creating a part-time benefit; and there should be more investment in childcare and nursery education and higher child benefit for most children.

Sir Gordon said it was important "to bite the bullet" on higher education funding, by asking students to contribute to their education, and that parents had strong social responsibilities.

The report suggests phasing out mortgage tax relief but giving poorer home-owners more help through housing benefit. It also advocates setting up a citizens' service of young community volunteers.

"The children born today will be 16 in 2010," Sir Gordon said. "This report is about the country we bequeath to those children. It could hardly have addressed a more important agenda."

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THE MAIN POINTS

- ☐ Taxing child benefit for higher earners and abolishing married couples' allowance
- ☐ Minimum pension guarantee
- ☐ National minimum wage to be set at realistic level
- ☐ New benefit for part-time workers
- ☐ Wage subsidies to encourage employment of the long-term jobless
- ☐ Phasing out of mortage interest relief combined with extension of housing benefit to home owners
- ☐ Citizens' Service: a national voluntary community service for 16 to 25-year-olds
- ☐ Nursery education for all 3 and 4-year-olds. Expansion of childcare
- ☐ Graduates to contribute to cost of university education
- ☐ Tougher employment rules for single parents on benefits



Sir Gordon at the conference yesterday where he presented the commission's report

Applause muted by practical problems ahead

BY JANET BUSH, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

COMMENTARY

THE Commission on Social Justice's report marks a radical departure from old Labour Party policies of tax and spend. It appears to use the working assumption that anything involving big increases in taxation is no longer acceptable.

The proposal to tax child benefit for high earners, the concentration of state pension provision on the poor, and even the statement that those who can afford it should pay for their own childcare, moves Labour away from benefit universality and towards "targeting" or "means testing".

There is little attempt to cost the many proposals contained in the document. However, an initial reading of the report yesterday brought qualified approval that the proposals would be largely self-financing. Andrew Dilnot, director of the Institute for Fiscal Studies, said that the report was "realistic" and that, whatever the short-term costs, it would be possible to introduce the measures suggested over a period of 10 to 15 years "without significant changes in tax rates".

Mr Dilnot was particularly in favour of the approach taken on pensions, which flies in the face of Labour's 1992 election pledge to improve basic state pensions and then uprate them in line with earnings. In contrast, the commission has accepted that the value of the state pension will continue to decline significantly and that the money available from this source will have to be concentrated on the poor elderly — a prime example of means testing.

Others — including employers and those in work — will more or less be required to contribute to an extended State Earnings Related Pensions Scheme and/or private pensions. The report says that every employee or self-employed person would belong to a second pension scheme of their choice.

This comes quite close to the thinking of both the Government and independent voices concerned with the rising burdens of care for the elderly in both industrialised and developing countries.

There are three areas of the report that could provoke criticism on cost grounds. The first is the provision of universal nursery education, which would be expensive but, because John Major has mooted the idea too, is unlikely to become a cost/benefit political football.

The second is the minimum wage. The commission claims that introducing a minimum wage of £3.50 would save the Government £1.3 billion to £1.6 billion in revenues, taking benefits into account. These figures were regarded as fairly incredible by independent observers, including the IFS, who said it is exceedingly difficult to quantify revenue savings on one hand and job losses on the other.

The third difficult area is the proposal to give part-time workers a subsidy. The potential employment gains are broadly agreed. The major problem is how to introduce a subsidy for workers re-entering the labour force while avoiding paying subsidies to the growing army of people already in part-time jobs.

Doug McWilliams, director of the Centre for Economics and Business Research, said that it was hard to imagine setting the minimum wage at a low enough level to generate revenue as well as have a noticable effect on the labour market.

On pensions, he applauded the move towards more private provision but warned that the cost of moving from the current system to a new one would not be without cost. His judgment on subsidies for part-time workers is that, unless it is hedged around with restrictions, it could prove very expensive.

Overall, he said: "This report is a mish-mash of quite a lot of good ideas with significant practical problems."

Taxing top earners to save £300m

CHILD BENEFIT

ONE of the most controversial ideas in the report is to tax child benefit for high earners to pay for an overall increase in the benefit. The report comes down heavily in favour of retaining the universal benefit but argues that it could be targeted more effectively by taxing it.

"Child benefit remains the fairest and most efficient way of recognising the extra responsibilities borne by all parents," it says.

The commission has calculated that £300 million can be saved by taxing existing top-rate payers, which would fund a 60p increase in the universal benefit. However, the report suggests that the benefit, now £10.20 for the first child, and £8.25 for subsequent children, could be raised by £5 if the married couples allowance were abolished for all those under 55, which would raise £2.5 billion.

It also suggests that the rate should be the same for all children. "The present higher rate for first children discriminates against larger families which are at a greatest risk of poverty."

The commissioners were divided on the best way of helping families with children. Some argued it would be better to use all the savings from the abolition of the married couples allowance to fund a £5 increase in benefit. Others argued that if less than half the savings were used to fund nursery education, the balance would still fund a higher child benefit.

The commission favours taxing both higher-rate fathers and mothers. Under the scheme 40 per cent (the present higher rate) of benefit would be withdrawn from the best-off families.

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Richest should pay 50%

TAX

THE Borrie report indicates that a maximum tax band of 50 per cent could be levied for those earning over £100,000.

It suggests that revenue for programmes or tax cuts for the poor could be funded with a top rate of tax for high earners without damaging competitiveness. It says that the new tax rate should be for those on about five times average earnings, affecting no more than 2 per cent of earners, and that it should be no higher than 50 per cent, including national insurance contributions.

The report also addresses the "unfairness" of people paying income tax on very low incomes, suggesting that people could be taken out of tax by increasing personal allowances more rapidly than earnings. There could instead be a starting tax rate of 10 per cent, although this would not be benefit the very poor as much.

The commission recommends that the exemption of agricultural and business property from inheritance tax should be ended, and taxing substantial gifts, except those between husband and wife.

Long-term jobless need wage subsidies

THE commission's most ambitious proposals concern getting people off benefit and into work. While it supports the principle of full employment, it makes clear that in future this will be part-time work and short-term contracts.

It backs a new part-time benefit which allows those working only a few hours a week to retain a proportion of their unemployment benefit. It also supports a new jobs, education and training programme to get rid of long-term unemployment.

Under the scheme, employers would be given wage subsidies to take on those who had been out of work for over 12 months. The subsidy could be 80 per cent of the value of unemployment benefit, but the commission points out that the state would recoup the benefit that would have been paid out: most people who are unemployed for 12 months stay out of the job market for a further 20 months.

Critics argue that such a scheme would be open to exploitation as employers could take on cheap labour and sack existing staff.

The report suggests a tough approach towards single mothers to ensure that they enter the job market. In future, all lone parents with children over five would be required to make themselves available for work.

In addition it suggests that 3 million low paid people, including part-time workers and the self-employed, should be brought into the social insurance system. All those who work over eight hours should be members, if necessary paying zero contributions if they are on very low incomes.

The report also floats the idea that those paying higher contribution could get higher benefits.

It firmly backs a minimum wage, although it does not put a figure on the level. Nevertheless, it cites a report suggesting that if the weekly wage is kept at about £3.50 it would not result in job losses. Trade unions are pressing for a level equal to half the male median wage, about £4.05 an hour.

It proposes minimum legal rights for employees, arguing that they should be protected against unfair dismissal and redudancy after having been in work for six months rather than two years, as at present.

Graduates could pay 20% of fees

EDUCATION

THE commission's proposal to ask graduates to contribute to the costs of their university education to raise £1.5 billion a year will also prove contentious. Graduates would be expected to repay maintenance payments and 20 per cent of tuition fees. The payments would be based on post-graduation income, lasting only until repayment had been made.

The commission suggests three options: a monthly payment by all who reach a certain income, possible 85 per cent of the average income; a surcharge on National Insurance until the repayment has been made; a rising surcharge on National Insurance only applying to those who reach a certain earnings level.

The commission also calls for nursery school education for all three and four-year-olds, with extra investment in childcare, at a cost of between £800 million and £1 billion.

However, it makes clear that some of the costs would be shouldered by the private sector and higher earners would have to pay.

Poor would gain from supplementary rate

PENSIONS

THE report calls for a new Pensions Guarantee, at least £5 higher than the present rate, to supplement the basic state pension as part of a package of reforms designed to help poorer groups, but to reduce means testing.

The new minimum income, involving the integration of tax and benefits, should raise pensioners incomes above today's basic rates of both state pensions and income support, says the commission. It also suggests that it should rise faster than prices to prevent it losing its value. The basic retirement pension is now £57.60 while the basic rate for the means-tested income support is £63.95, £5 higher.

However, when pressed on the issue, Sir Gordon Borrie said it would be a matter for the Government what rate it should be. It would also be up to the Government to decide whether the state pension should rise in line with prices or earnings, or neither.

Everyone reaching pension age would claim retirement pension in the usual way. All their pensions — basic, Serps and any occupational or personal pension — would be added together. If this fell below the pension guarantee it would be topped up.

The commission also proposes a universal second pension. Every employee or self-employed person would have to make a minimum contribution to a second pension of their choice, either private or state, which would be matched by their employers.

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Workfare: Ministers adopt US-style scheme to replace 'something for nothing' benefits

Jobcentre staff get new powers over claimants

BY NICHOLAS WOOD, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE Government yesterday put the principle of workfare at the heart of its approach to tackling long-term unemployment.

Ministers announced the biggest changes to the employment elements of the welfare state for more than 80 years. Although they are not setting up a blanket workfare scheme of the kind tried in some parts of America, they are breaking new ground by insisting on an end to "something for nothing" welfare payments.

Jobcentre staff are to have powers to order benefit claimants to do community work or attend courses aimed at making them more attractive to employers. For the first time, long-term unemployed people who refuse to comply with the instructions face losing all their benefit for up to four weeks.

The new "carrot and stick" approach, making payment of welfare benefits conditional on claimants making a determined effort to find a job, is set out in a new White Paper, *Jobseeker's Allowance*, published yesterday by Michael Portillo, the Employment Secretary, and Peter Lilley, the Social Security Secretary.

The new allowance (JSA) replaces the combination of unemployment benefit (UB) and income support to create a single benefit obtainable at a single place — the jobcentre. JSA will be paid at the same rate as income support.

Under the present regime, a married man with two young children receiving UB gets £91.95 a week. This money is not means-tested, so if he also has savings of £20,000 his weekly payments are unaffected. After 12 months, he goes onto income support and, with this level of savings, loses his entitlement to benefits. Under the new approach, he would receive £94.60 a week for just six months. After that means-testing will apply and benefits could be cut or withdrawn.

- ☐ New jobseeker's allowance to replace unemployment benefit and income support
- ☐ Non-means-tested allowance to be paid for 6 rather than 12 months
- ☐ Compulsory jobseeker's agreement to replace voluntary arrangements
- ☐ Temporary total loss of benefit for those in breach of agreement
- ☐ Benefit to be withheld if claimants sabotage their job chances
- ☐ Claimants may be ordered to polish jobhunting skills or do community work
- ☐ Bonuses of up to £1,000 for those moving from part-time to full-time work.
- ☐ Claimants' partners can work more hours before benefits cut

The streamlining of the benefits system for the unemployed coincides with a sharp tightening of the eligibility rules. The bedrock of the new approach will be the jobseeker's agreement, which will have to be signed by all claimants, who will have to abide by stricter rules governing their availability for work. In return the Employment Service will draw up an individually tailored programme for helping them to find a job.

The White Paper says the State should provide speedy financial help to those who lose their jobs: "But it is also right in a modern society that the unemployed person should undertake a direct and active role in getting back to work.

"The benefit system should thus offer strong encouragement to recipients to participate actively in the labour market by searching for work or improving their chances of getting jobs in return for their benefits... The new jobseeker's allowance ... will be a means of support while an unemployed person looks for work, not an income for a lifestyle divorced from work."

To qualify for the JSA, claimants will be to show that they are actively seeking work. But simply applying for jobs will not be enough. They will also have to demonstrate that they are doing all they can to make themselves more attractive to employers by, for instance, improving their CVs and interview skills.

The powers of jobcentre staff will be strengthened. They will be able to issue a "jobseeker's direction" to order claimants "to improve their employability" through, for example, a course to improve jobseeking skills. Where appropriate someone out of work for a year could be told to join a community action programme.

At present, those who defy the Employment Service face the loss of up to 40 per cent of their benefit. Under the JSA, those who break the rules could lose all their benefits for up to four weeks, although there will be provision for hardship payments.

The carrots are a range of incentive payments designed to encourage people to move off benefit into work and to minimise the "unemployment trap" that can leave some people better off on the dole.

New ones include the "back to work bonus" under which people claiming benefit but doing part-time work will no longer lose as much of their benefits and will be able to build up credits towards a payment of up to £1,000 on taking a full-time job.

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MP hails success of long campaign

BY ANDREW PIERCE

THE Government's shift towards workfare is a victory for the Thatcherite Tory MP Sir Ralph Howell.

Sir Ralph outlined proposals for a system of workfare in a paper to the right-wing Adam Smith Institute in 1985. He has been lobbying for it ever since. Margaret Thatcher was a keen supporter.

But it took until May 1993 for Sir Ralph to persuade the Government to give it a try. An 18-month pilot project in his Norfolk North constituency disappointed him, but he hopes that the national scheme announced yesterday will be more successful.

With 2,300 people on the local unemployment register, only 68 people took up the 100 places on offer and 16 of them subsequently moved into full-time employment. Unlike American schemes, the Norfolk scheme was voluntary.

The north Norfolk scheme was set up with government grants of £750,000. People who had been unemployed for at least six months were paid £10 a week on top of their usual benefits in return for 22 hours of community-based work. They also had to spend a further six hours actively looking for jobs. Present projects include the preservation of the Norfolk Broads and the restoration of the North Norfolk Railway.

Sir Ralph would have preferred a £100 flat fee replacing all benefits, and financial penalties for those refusing to participate. Instead he was given a watered-down version with no element of compulsion. The long-term unemployed are merely offered a place on the scheme as an option through two local jobcentres.

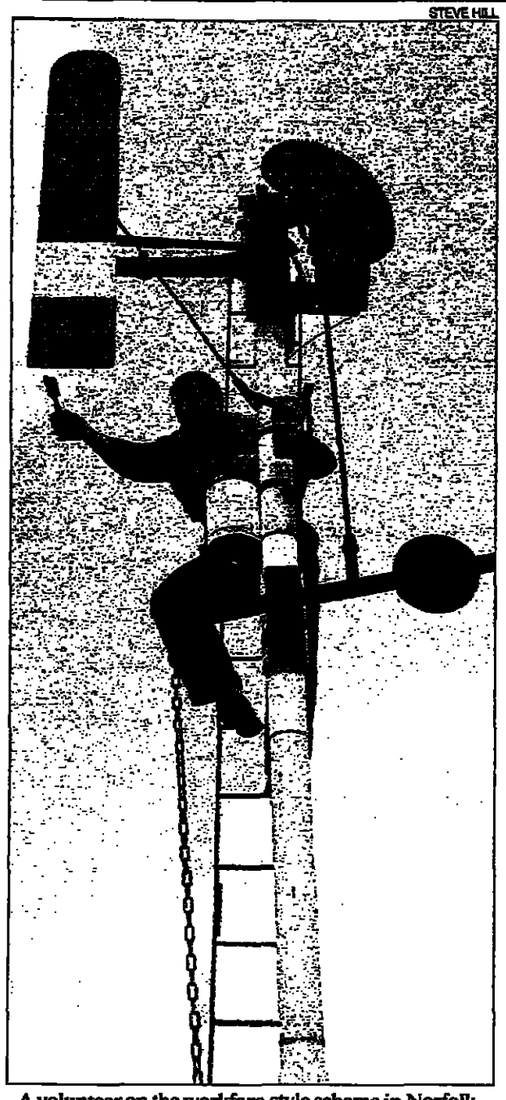
Sir Ralph said last night: "We are making progress. But when I asked for workfare in Norfolk I never got it. There is no compulsion and they are not real jobs.

"It's all very well getting people to work for non-profit-making bodies. Not only does it not move them into the real commercial world, they are simply not interested in doing that sort of work."

A real success of the north Norfolk scheme had lain in the fact that when 78 people on the local unemployment register had been invited to participate ion to the workfare scheme they simply vanished from the register.

"I think it has a lot going for it," said Sir Ralph. "If it was workfare with teeth the unemployment situation would have been transformed overnight."

STEVE HILL



A volunteer on the workfare-style scheme in Norfolk. Sir Ralph wanted participation to be compulsory

Labour still short of magic solution

BY PETER RIDDELL

COMMENTARY

WE ARE all welfare reformers now. Both main parties are in competition as to which is more willing to rethink post-war assumptions about the welfare state. On the day that the Social Justice Commission produced its 418-page report on a post-Beveridge approach, Peter Lilley claimed he had launched the debate with his Mais lecture last year.

That is why comparisons with the original Beveridge report 50 years ago are misleading. Lord Beveridge could dramatise the development of a comprehensive welfare state as slaying the dragons of Want, Disease, Idleness, Ignorance and Squalor. But the situation is different now. It is less a matter of creation than modification. The post-war model has changed, and is changing. Sir Norman Fowler's review of social security in the mid-1980s was neither the first nor the last to be billed as the most important since Beveridge.

There are three basic problems: how to afford universal provision without an unacceptable rise in taxes, how to alleviate core poverty and how to reduce a high level of long-term unemployment.

The Government's answer has been gradualist: chipping away at entitlements and targeting benefits at those most in need; shifting more provision, particularly of pensions, to the private sector; and reducing disincentives to work. That has gradually shifted the focus of debate, as Mr Lilley claimed yesterday, so that what was once regarded as unacceptable is now widely accepted. Yesterday, Donald Dewar avoided a blanket denunciation of the Jobseeker's Allowance and was a model of Presbyterian rectitude in stressing how those seeking benefits had duties and responsibilities.

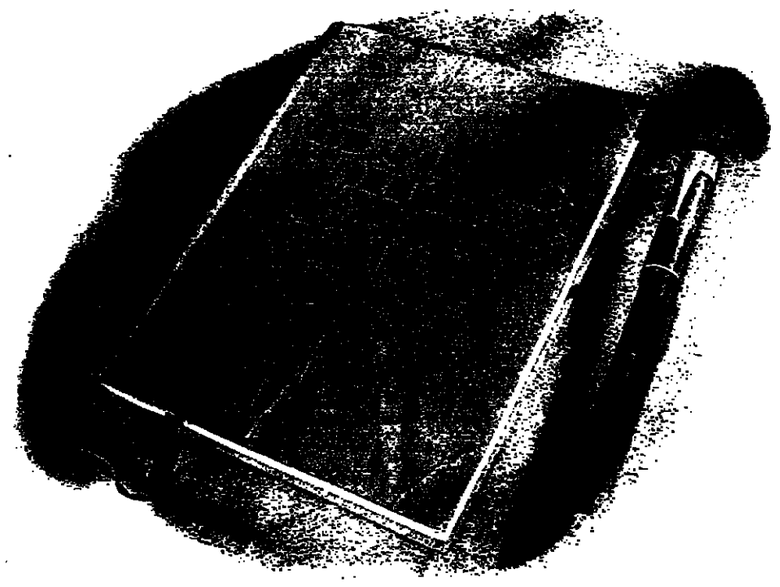
Labour's problem has been to catch up with this shift in policy thinking. Its main response to government initiatives since 1979 has been negative, to deplore then to promise more spending on benefits. That has sounded unconvincing and the consequent proposals for tax rises have lost Labour votes, as occurred again in 1992.

The Social Justice Commission was set up to find a way out of this dilemma. The report offers a lucid analysis of seismic changes in the labour market and offers a distinction between three different approaches — the Deregulators (the post-1979 Tory policy), the Levellers (the traditional Labour Left) and what is appallingly described as the Investors (its favoured strategy to boost employment and reduce poverty).

The report then branches out to cover almost every aspect of the welfare state. There are some interesting ideas on pensions and citizen's service. But many proposals would also cost money in the short term. This explains why the Labour leadership was so keen to distance itself from any specific commitments, so that the Tories could not claim Labour was committed to them. Tony Blair's welcome was guarded: "Commissions write reports. Parties write manifestoes." Mr Blair left open whether Labour would again promise across-the-board increases in key benefits.

The Social Justice Commission will have served its purpose if it frees Labour from past constraints and provides an intellectually reaspectable case for welfare reform. But the report has not shown how the party can reconcile its commitment to help the less well-off with its desire to shed its "tax and spend" image. There is no magic solution for Mr Dewar and Gordon Brown as they develop Labour policy. Mr Blair's claim that "the left of centre is coming to dominate the battle of ideas" is still premature.

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Crippled sea diver accuses fisherman

BY JOHN YOUNG

AN amateur diver was crippled for life after being dragged violently upwards when the dinghy to which he was attached was taken in tow by a fishing boat, the High Court was told yesterday.

Adrian Aplin of Dunstable, Bedfordshire, is claiming damages for negligence against Nigel Sheeran, the owner of the fishing vessel. His claim alleges that as a result of being dragged to the surface he suffered decompression sickness leading to paraplegia.

Michael Kent, for Mr Aplin, said the incident took place on July 5, 1987, when he and his father-in-law Robert Whitehead were diving off Portland Bill, Dorset. Mr Aplin had four years' diving experience.

Asked by Mr Justice French what the purpose of the dive was, Mr Kent replied that the two men were searching for scallops. They were not looking for wrecks. Mr Aplin's case was that their dinghy was about 100 yards offshore when they began the dive. The weather was not particularly severe.

The dinghy had a 120ft anchor warp to which a weight was attached. Both men would then dive down using the rope as a guide. The dive began about 11.15am and they descended to a depth of about 100 feet. When their gauges showed them their time was nearly up, they began the ascent.

"They ascended slowly, adopting the rule of thumb that you don't ascend faster than the stream of exhaled bubbles issuing from the mask," Mr Kent said.

Mr Aplin was at a depth of about 40ft when he was dragged up violently by his weight belt, which was attached to the rope, and then for some way along the surface.

He tried to release himself but could not get his fingers under the buckle because of the pressure. He had to use his knife, reach behind him and cut the belt. "All that time he was being dragged through the water at speed and it was as a result of the sudden ascent that the plaintiff will say he suffered his decompression sickness," Mr Kent said.

After the towline had been released Mr Sheeran approached the two divers and there was a brief exchange of words. He did not remain on the scene for long before heading off to berth in Portland harbour. Mr Aplin managed to swim to the dinghy but had been unable to get into it unassisted. He later lost any feeling in his legs and was able only to lie in the bottom of the dinghy.

Mr Whitehead was able to reach the coastguard by radio, but the fisherman had failed to alert the coastguard, thereby increasing the delay before Mr Aplin could be taken to a decompression chamber in Portsmouth. He was eventually flown by helicopter to the chamber, in which he spent 51 hours.

Mr Sheeran, having become aware that he had hoisted a diver out of the sea, should have thought of the possibility that some injury might have been sustained, Mr Kent said.

"It should have been obvious that it was not a dinghy that had simply broken away from its moorings," Mr Kent said. "It was a diver's dinghy and most importantly there was a rope leading down into the water."

Mr Aplin conceded that he and Mr Whitehead had failed to display the international code flag A, which was the recognised signal to show when diving was taking place. He also conceded that he should not have tied his belt to the rope but he did not concede that that amounted to negligence.

Mr Kent told the court that uncontrolled decompression had produced a gas embolism affecting the spine and leading to complete paraplegia.

The case continues.


MARTIN BEDDALL

A page of the Schumann manuscript showing some of the composer's revisions, deletions and scratchings-out that will intrigue scholars

Schumann's key score is discovered

BY DALYA ALBERGE, ARTS CORRESPONDENT

THE heavily annotated manuscript of Schumann's second symphony, long assumed to have been lost or destroyed, has been found in a private collection. One of the most important music manuscripts to come to the market since the war, it will be sold by Sotheby's on December 1.

The document, estimated to fetch at least £800,000, is the only complete manuscript of a major Romantic symphony that is ever likely to appear at auction. Stephen Roe, head of Sotheby's books and manuscripts department, said: "As far as we can tell, all those by Brahms, Bruckner and Beethoven are accounted for." Until the discovery of the manuscript, the work had been known only from the first printed edition and a few sketches.

Apart from its central position in the modern orchestral repertoire, the second symphony in C Major, Opus 61, was much admired by masters such as Brahms and Tchaikovsky. To their ears, it was one of Schumann's greatest works, and their own symphonic work reflects that admiration. Today's scholars see it as one of the most important links between Beethoven and Brahms.

The score is covered with layers of working and reworking. Revisions, deletions and scratchings-out in ink, pencil and crayon will offer scholars and performers a rare insight into Schumann's creative process.

The manuscript is covered in comments intended for both the printers and performers. There are, for example, instructions on bowing, which the printer for some reason omitted from the printed edition, and sections showing how the composer agonized over which instruments should play certain passages. Where his markings were particularly untidy or illegible, sections appear in the neater hand of Schumann's copyist, but those are also covered with corrections by the master himself.

Some of the heaviest revisions are in the third movement, which reflect the composer's relative unease with orchestration. As Dr Roe noted, Schumann was primarily a pianist, and writing for the orchestra did not come easily to him. Dr Roe observed that to thin the orchestral texture at the opening of the adagio, Schumann deleted the woodwind doublings as a second thought.


Schumann (1810-56): work was admired by Brahms

The manuscript, in its original binding, dates from 1845-46, about a decade before Schumann attempted suicide and was committed to an asylum. An aural nerve disorder caused a continual singing in his ears. Dr Roe pointed to autobiographical references in various passages of the work, quoting from a letter from Schumann: "I wrote the symphony in December 1845, while I was still unwell; it seems to me that one must sense this when hearing it."

The score is inscribed by Clara Schumann, his wife, to Julius Rietz, who conducted the symphony on December 6, 1855. Brahms was sitting in the audience. The work's premiere was given in 1846 with Mendelssohn conducting the Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra. Many of the revisions scribbled on the manuscript were inspired by that first performance. The sellers are remaining anonymous.

☐ Jane Austen first editions were in strong demand with *Sense and Sensibility* and *Pride and Prejudice* each making £6,380, almost double their estimate, at Bloomsbury book auctions, London. *Mansfield Park* made £4,620 and *Emma* £4,180, both above expectation. Her final novels, *Northanger Abbey* and *Persuasion*, sold as one lot, making £3,080.

Murder charge husband remanded

The husband of Carol Wardell, the building society manageress whose body was found dumped in a lay-by near Nuneaton, Warwickshire, on September 12, was remanded in custody for eight days when he appeared before Nuneaton magistrates charged with her murder.

Gordon Wardell, 41, of Meriden, was also accused of burglary at the Woolwich Building Society office in Nuneaton, where his wife worked, and with stealing more than £14,000. There was no application for bail and reporting restrictions were not lifted.

Learner jailed

A learner driver was jailed by *Maidstone Crown Court* for two years after killing a woman in a head-on crash. Michael Mohammed, 39, a financial investigator of the Docklands area of London, admitted causing the death of *Tracy Bennett*, 23, last year when breaking the speed limit in a Rover company car.

Throat injury

A man needed 28 stitches in his throat after being caught by a wire washing line that lifted him off the ground as he ran down a dark alley in Portsmouth. Bob Geater, 19, had been chasing two youths who had thrown a firework into a crowd outside the pub where he works.

Victim, 85, dies

Gladys Parker, 85, has died seven weeks after being attacked at home. She was beaten after disturbing a burglar in her bungalow in Chard, Somerset. It is thought she might have opened her door to a stranger, believing it was her son David who lived with her.

Parking penalty

Keith Dally, of Roath, Cardiff, was jailed for 28 days after running up £13,000 in parking tickets and fines. Dally, 38, tore up 150 parking tickets and failed to pay others, Cardiff magistrates were told. His imprisonment means his fines will be wiped out.

Earl fined

The Earl of Mansfield, 64, was fined £100 after admitting driving carelessly. His pleas of not guilty to failing to stop and failing to report an accident in a crowded car park were accepted by Perth Sheriff Court, where he often sits as an honorary sheriff.

Knife death

A man stabbed himself to death as police arrived to ask him about a bomb attack at his estranged wife's home. Joseph Milligan, 48, of Poole, Dorset, refused to answer the door to the two officers. As they forced their way in, he stuck a knife into his stomach.

£2m damages

Richard Miles, 14, who was severely brain-damaged during his birth at New Cross Hospital, Wolverhampton, was awarded damages of nearly £2 million by the High Court in Birmingham against the health authority.

Llama treks

Bruce Wright, a Norfolk farmer, is hiring out llamas to walkers in Thetford forest. A two-hour stroll with coffee and cakes for four people sharing a llama costs £36.

Stranded seamen plead for food and water

BY GILLIAN BOWDITCH, SCOTLAND CORRESPONDENT

THE International Transport Federation is to take up the case of 100 Bulgarian seamen who have been stranded in what they call prison conditions, without adequate supplies of fresh food and water off the coast of Shetland.

The crews of two Bulgarian fish factory ships are being kept in appalling conditions, according to Shetland islanders. Some of them have not been paid for three years. The seamen have had to rely on the charity of the locals and on their own entrepreneurial skills. They scour the local rubbish tip for goods which they can mend and sell.

The men, around 50 on each vessel, say they frequently run short of fresh drinking water and food. They cannot get medication and claim to be kept in near prison conditions. The crews of the *Aktinia* and the *Rotalia* say they are owed



£300,000 in back pay. Both ships have been arrested for non-payment of debts.

Bryan Allen, an ITF inspector, said: "They have been abused and robbed for too many years. Some have not been paid or received their full salary for as long as three years."

The men are owed an average of $5,000 (£3,500) each, although some are due considerably more. Most have given Mr Allen power of attorney, the first step in the legal process to recover their money. If the wages bill is not met, the ships could be auctioned and the men paid with the proceeds.

The chief engineer of another Bulgarian vessel, the *Kaprela*, which left Shetland for Ullapool at the weekend, recently staged a week-long hunger strike in order to come ashore and publicise the seamen's plight. Milen Lordanov Kochev said: "We live like prisoners on floating prisons in conditions of missing drinking water and shortness of food, medicines and vitamins." After speaking out about the conditions, he says he lost his job.

The ships are known as Klondikers, after the 19th century Canadian gold miners. Some 100 arrive off Shetland from Eastern Europe every winter to process fish. Moored in the water around Lerwick, they comprise a floating town whose inhabitants often outnumber the residents of Shetland's main town.

The Klondikers help to support a multi-million pound industry by processing huge quantities of fish quickly. When they are properly funded they can add millions of pounds to the Shetland economy, paying for harbour fees, ship maintenance and supplies for the crew.

A spokesman for the ITF said: "The problem of the Klondikers has been going on for years. We can provide emergency assistance but the problem with auctioning off the vessels is that no one wants to buy them."


GRAEME STOREY

Bryan Allen of the ITF says Bulgarian fishermen have been "abused and robbed for too many years"

Crisp bags linked to male infertility

BY NICK NUTTALL, ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

A STUDY into a group of common chemicals that affect male fertility has been ordered by the Agriculture Ministry amid concern that they are building up in milk, chocolates and fish.

Phthalates are used in the printing and plastics industry, and have been linked with testicular damage as well as declining sperm counts among men in the West.

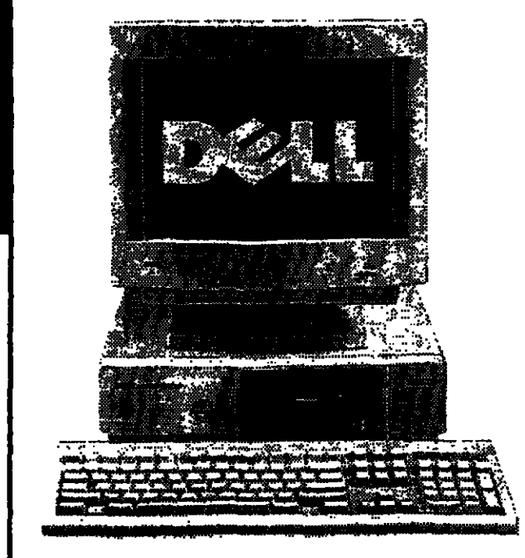
Gwynne Lyons, a consultant to the World Wide Fund for Nature who has been monitoring the chemicals, said yesterday: "Officially the ministry claims there is no cause for concern, but privately staff have told me otherwise. MAFF would not be spending this money on a full study if there was no risk."

The substances, which make plastic more flexible, can leak into foods such as crisps and chocolates from inks printed on the wrappers. Research by the ministry's food science laboratory in Norwich has found that milk is also becoming contaminated by these "fat-loving" chemicals. They can also be found in paints and cosmetics, where they evaporate into the air.

Research by American scientists has found that the chemicals, of which there are about 7,000 compounds, attack Sertoli cells in the testes of rats. The cells play a key role in sperm production.

British scientists suspect the chemicals may be part of the environmental jigsaw puzzle in which a range of modern industrial chemicals are acting together to feminise the unborn male, damaging his sperm count later in life.

A spokesman for the British Coatings Federation said yesterday that the industry had developed alternatives but that these were more expensive.



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British Waterways launches £100m plan to reopen derelict waterways by end of century

New millennium for historic canals heralds 4,000 jobs

BY GILLIAN BOWDITCH, SCOTLAND CORRESPONDENT

BRITISH Waterways launched an ambitious plan yesterday to reopen lowland Scotland's canal system by the end of the century. The scheme would link Glasgow and Edinburgh by canal, creating 4,000 new jobs and £300 million of inward investment.

The company, which controls 2,000 miles of Britain's canals, hopes to win the £100 million needed to restore navigation to the Forth and Clyde and the Union canals from the Government's National Lottery Millennium Fund.

The project will involve reopening nearly 70 miles of derelict waterways from Bowling near Dumbarton on the Clyde to Grangemouth on the Forth, with a further stretch of canal from Falkirk to Edinburgh.

Brian Henderson, chairman of British Waterways, launched the project, which is to be called the Millennium Link, from a barge on the Union Canal at Ratho near Edinburgh. He said: "Our vision for the Millennium Link is not about the past. It is about turning our heritage into our future."

The Forth and Clyde Canal was the first big transport project undertaken in Scotland. Work started on June 10, 1768, and it was completed in 1790.

The aim of the Forth and Clyde was to provide a link for trade and industry between the east and the west coasts and in its heyday barges carrying iron, chemicals, timber and coal glided up and down the 35-mile route.

The original engineer was John Smeaton, who designed the Eddystone Lighthouse. *Charlotte Dundas*, the world's first practical steamboat, conducted trials along the canal in 1802. The canal ceased operating in 1963.

The Union Canal has an equally impressive history. It was designed to break the monopoly of the Midlothian mine owners. It is 31 miles long and was built between 1818 and 1822. It was closed to navigation in 1965. Hugh Baird designed the canal with advice from Thomas Telford.

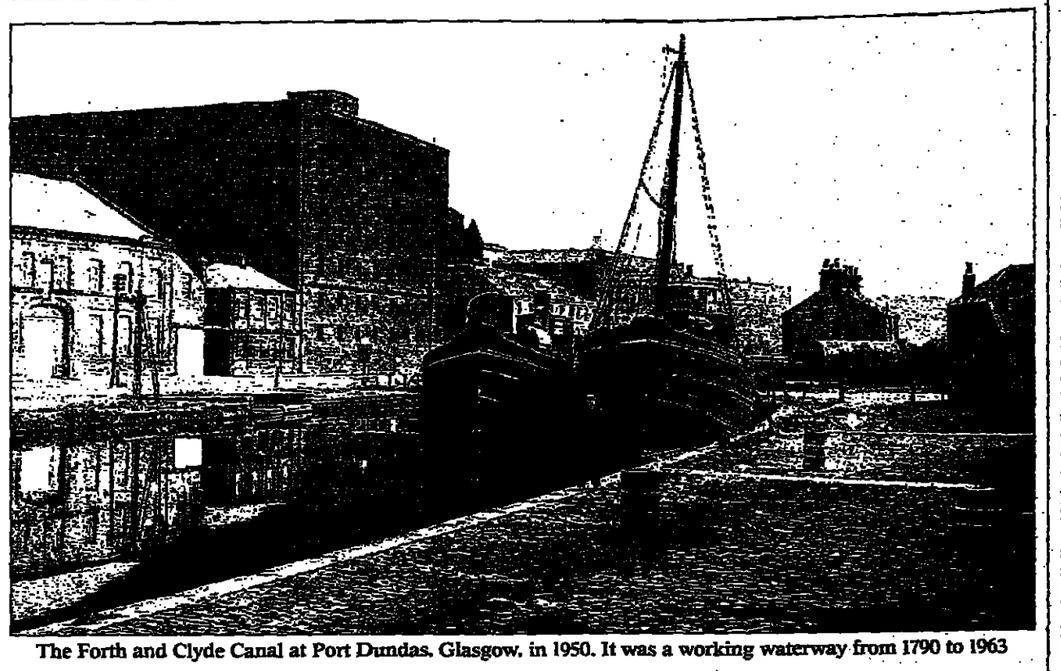
Burke and Hare, the infamous Edinburgh murderers and graverobbers who sold their victims' bodies to medical science, worked as navvies on the canal. Hare's wife, Lucky, dressed as a man to work beside her husband on the canal.

The Union Canal gave an impetus to the coal, rubber, shale and brewing industries during Victorian times.

Mr Henderson believes that just as the canals brought wealth and industry to the areas they passed through, a reopened canal would boost tourism, leisure and industry.

The management consultants Coopers & Lybrand have researched the project and believe the work could be carried out in five years creating 4,000 jobs from £300 million of private-sector investment. The reopened canals would bring in an annual income of £55 million.

British Waterways will submit its bid for finance in the spring and the Government is expected to pick the winning projects by the autumn.



The Forth and Clyde Canal at Port Dundas, Glasgow, in 1950. It was a working waterway from 1790 to 1963

Panda that failed to bear goes home

MING MING the panda left for home in China yesterday after failing to become pregnant during a three-year stay at London Zoo. Her departure leaves Britain with no resident giant panda.

Ming Ming left Heathrow for Peking via Paris. London Zoo's director, Dr Jo Gipp, and the headkeeper, Mick Carmen, travelled with the panda, who was transported in the cargo hold, and made regular checks during the 13-hour flight. "She has plenty of food and water," a zoo spokeswoman said.

Ming Ming was 17 when she was brought to Britain in an arrangement secured by Sir Edward Heath. It was hoped that she would become pregnant as part of a breeding programme.

An introduction to Bao Bao, a male from Berlin Zoo, did not go well, nor did artificial insemination succeed. The Chinese authorities requested her return and she has gone back to the Chengdu breeding centre.

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SHEEHAN on BRIDGE

THE British team has just won the Junior European Championships against teams from 21 countries. The event is for players under 25.

The team was Jason and Justin Hackett, Danny Davies and Phil Souter, Tom Townsend and Jeffrey Allerton, with Raymond Brock as non-playing captain.

The Hackett twins are the most experienced players in the team. Here is an example of their aggressive tactics.

Dealer West — East-West game

	♠7 ♥AK8763 ♦107 ♣J876	
♠AJ ♥Q ♦AKJ952 ♣AK102		♠62 ♥J52 ♦Q8543 ♣Q94
	♠KQ109854 ♥1094 ♦6 ♣53	

W	N	E	S
	Justin		Jason
1♠ (1)	3♥ (2)	Pass	4♦ (3)
Double	Pass	Pass	4♥
Double	Pass	Pass	4♠ (4)
Double	All pass		

Opening lead ♦A

(1) any strong hand (2) pre-emptive
(3) according to system, showing diamonds with heart tolerance
(4) trust me, brother

Irving Rose used to bid like Jason, but eventually people realised it was not wise to double him after he had adopted this type of sequence.

The Hacketts had already achieved a good result when they managed to be in Four Spades Doubled, which looks as though it has to go one down. But the result was better when West, in with the ace of spades and afraid that the declarer could run the heart suit, decided to play ace, king and another club.

That set up the jack of clubs for a heart discard and enabled Jason to make the contract. As the British East-West bid made Five Diamonds in the other room, Great Britain gained 1190 points on the board.

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Parts of gun used in backpackers' murder found at roadworker's home, court told

Outback serial killer 'shot Briton with silenced rifle'

FROM ROGER MAYNARD IN SYDNEY

Witnesses testifying at the start of committal proceedings described finding two British women's bodies in the bush

THE serial killer who murdered seven backpackers in Australia used a rifle with a silencer when he shot Caroline Clarke, a British tourist, ten times in the head, a prosecutor told a magistrates' court here.

Parts from the gun which fired the fatal shots were found behind a wall in the house of Ivan Milat in the Sydney suburb of Eagle Vale, Campbelltown Court was told. The silencer was found in Mr Milat's garage.

Ian Lloyd, QC, the prosecutor, told the first day of committal proceedings against the roadworker, 49, that Clarke, 22, from Slaley, Northumberland, was stabbed as well as shot before her body was dumped in isolated bushland in the southern highlands of New South Wales. Her friend, Joanne Walters, also 22, from Maesteg in Wales, whose body was found nearby, died from multiple stab wounds.

The two young women, who were on a working holiday in Australia, disappeared in April, 1992. Their decomposed bodies were found in September of the same year.

The remains of five other backpackers, including three Germans — Anja Habschied, 20, Gabor Neugebauer, 21 and Simone Schmidl, 21 — and two Australians — James Gibson, 19, and Deborah Everist, also 19 — were discovered in the same area. Most had been stabbed while two were shot. Habschied had been decapitated.

A key witness in the prosecution case is another young British tourist whom Mr Milat is accused of attempting to murder four years ago. Identified only as "Victim A", the 24-year-old man says the accused shot at him as he ran from Mr Milat's car near a turnoff to the forest. The man said he bolted from the car when Mr Milat pulled over, reached under the seat and produced a revolver and a bag of ropes.

The court was told that the Briton had flown to Australia in May and identified Mr Milat from a series of photographs as his attacker. He is not expected to give evidence until the third week of the committal proceedings.

The most dramatic evidence yesterday came from two orienteers who gave a graphic account of the gruesome discovery which they made in the Belanglo State Forest, at an area known as Executioner's Drop, on September 19, 1992.

Keith Caldwell told the court that he and fellow orienteer, Keith Siely, stopped after smelling what they thought was a dead animal. Instead, it turned out to be the remains of Walters.

"I could see what appeared to be a joint or an elbow protruding from under brushwood which appeared to be stacked on top of the carcass," Mr Caldwell said.

Mr Siely said: "What I thought was a kangaroo leg was actually an elbow, and what I thought was a wombat was actually the hair on the back of her head."

On closer inspection, the two men saw a boot and a piece of clothing.

"I told Keith: 'It's a body'," Mr Caldwell said.

The two men ran back to a camping hut and raised the alarm on a mobile phone. The next day police found the body of Clarke about 20 yards away.

Woman Police Constable Susan Roberts told the hearing that she stumbled across the remains after she saw a leg under a fallen tree. "There was a large portion of a leg covered by some jeans which had a rip in them," she added.

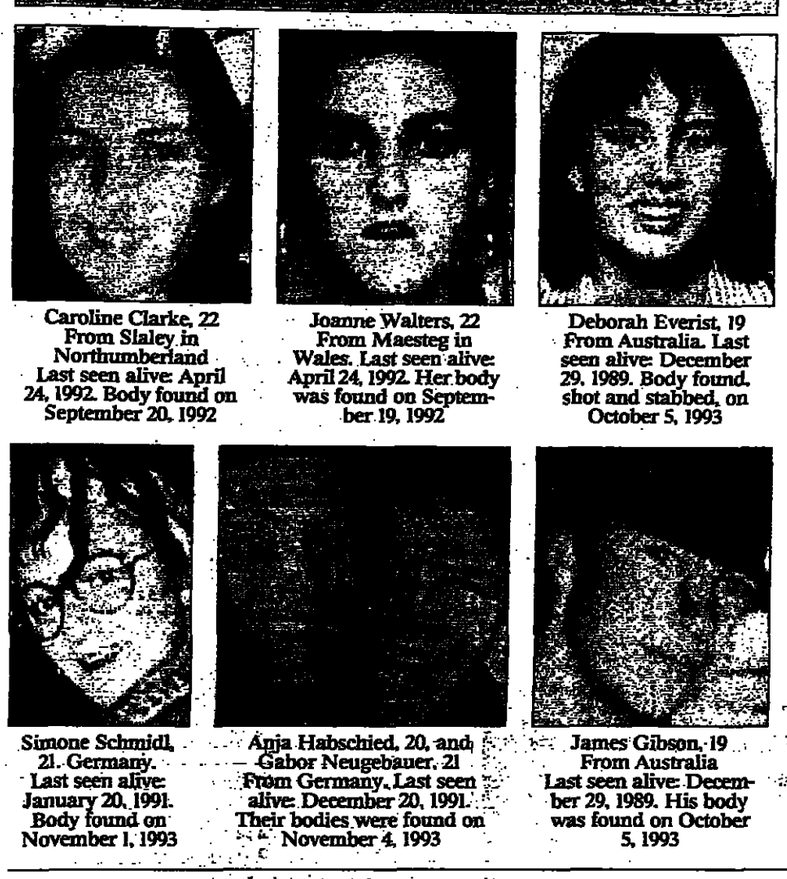
Mr Milat sat impassively in the dock, dressed in a navy blue jumper, matching slacks and a grey tie. He is charged with seven counts of murder, one of attempted murder and six firearms-related charges relating to an arsenal of weapons and ammunition found at properties belonging to the Milat family.

Mr Lloyd said about 200 witnesses are expected to be called over the next two months, many of them from overseas, who would identify clothing and camping equipment belonging to the murder victims and which were found in the homes of Mr Milat or his relatives. "Gun parts found at the house were part of the gun which fired the fatal shots at Caroline Clarke," he told the court.

The court was also told that Mr Milat's former wife would confirm how he often drove her to the Belanglo State Forest and that he frequently carried a pistol.

Mr Lloyd added: "The evidence clearly shows that whoever killed one of the backpackers killed them all. The discovery of various items in Milat's possession links Milat to the murders of the backpackers." Yesterday's hearing was abruptly adjourned just before lunch after the court received a bomb threat. Witnesses, lawyers and spectators spilled out on to the pavement but were later allowed to return.

Michael Price, the magistrate, will visit the scene of the murders later this week.



Caroline Clarke, 22 From Slaley in Northumberland Last seen alive: April 24, 1992. Body found on September 20, 1992

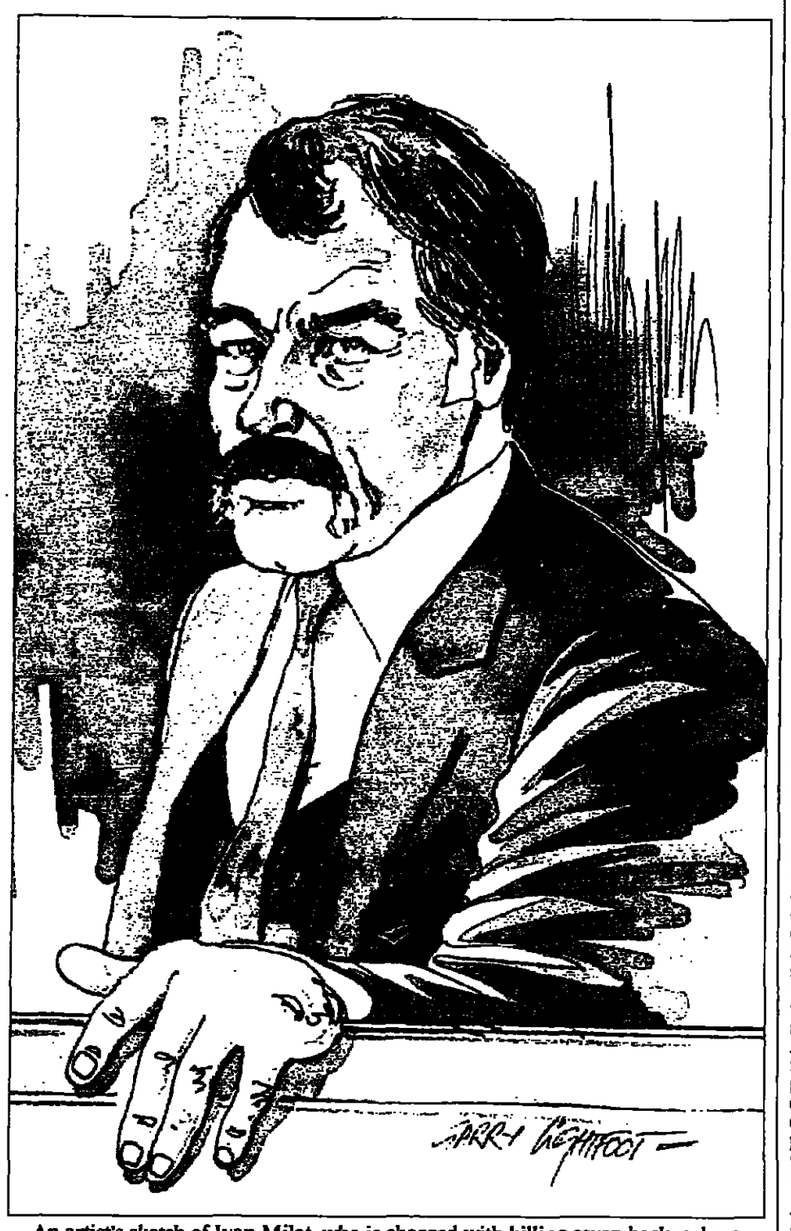
Joanne Walters, 22 From Maesteg in Wales. Last seen alive: April 24, 1992. Her body was found on September 19, 1992

Deborah Everist, 19 From Australia. Last seen alive: December 29, 1989. Body found, shot and stabbed, on October 5, 1993

Simone Schmidl, 21. Germany. Last seen alive: January 20, 1991. Body found on November 1, 1993

Anja Habschied, 20, and Gabor Neugebauer, 21 From Germany. Last seen alive: December 20, 1991. Their bodies were found on November 4, 1993

James Gibson, 19 From Australia Last seen alive: December 29, 1989. His body was found on October 5, 1993



An artist's sketch of Ivan Milat, who is charged with killing seven backpackers

Australia stars sell case for republic

BY ROGER MAYNARD

THE Australian Republican Movement yesterday unveiled a list of high-profile ambassadors from the arts, entertainment and sporting worlds in its latest recruitment drive.

They will travel round the country appearing at functions supporting the Republican cause. The movement is also offering 2,000 people the opportunity to buy a place in history by becoming members of an exclusive "2000 for 2001" group. For a fee of about £1,000 members will receive a personalised, numbered silver commemorative medallion. However, the first medallion is being reserved for the first Republican head of state.

Mark Ryan, the executive director of the movement, said that although they estimated that more than 50 per cent of Australians wanted a republic, they were not going to set any membership targets. However, a spokeswoman for the Constitutional Monarchists, Kerry Jones, dismissed the Republicans' membership drive as a gimmick.

"It's an admission of total failure by the Australian Republican Movement," she claimed. "They have less than 4,000 members. We, on the other hand, are just about to sign up our 10,000th supporter."

☐ **Bus tragedy:** Twelve people were killed and 40 injured on a shopping trip to Brisbane, Australia, yesterday. The mainly elderly women passengers died when their coach careered across the wrong side of a dual carriageway and plunged down an embankment at Boondall in Brisbane's northern suburbs.

Ambulances and helicopters ferried the injured to hospital, while a makeshift mortuary was set up by the roadside. The Australian Transport Department launched an investigation.

The coach driver told police he felt the steering shudder moments before the crash. It was Australia's worst bus accident in four years. In October 1989, 21 people were killed when their coach collided with a lorry at Grafton in New South Wales. A few months later two coaches collided head-on along the same highway, killing 35.

British firms win £400m contract in Indonesia

BY JAMES PRINGLE

TRAFALGAR House has secured a £400-million road contract with a firm controlled by Siti Hardiyanti Rukmana, the eldest daughter of President Suharto of Indonesia.

The project is to build a 35-mile toll road between Jakarta and Bandung to the east. "This is probably the biggest civil project ever signed between the United Kingdom and Indonesia," said Richard Needham, the British Trade Minister who witnessed the signing of the agreement.

The deal was concluded amid a fresh round of debate over Indonesia's human rights record. President Suharto promised yesterday, in the run-up to a summit of Asia-Pacific leaders including President Clinton in Jakarta next month, to intensify efforts to protect human rights.

President Suharto, who has ruled Indonesia with a firm hand soon after the army put down an apparent Communist insurrection in 1965, was speaking at a government-sponsored human rights workshop less than a month before Indonesia is due to host the Asia Pacific Economic Co-operation (Apec) forum at Bogor, near Jakarta. Apec was established in 1989 as a forum for increasing trade and investment around the Pacific Rim.

Indonesia has been often criticised for its human rights record, particularly in East Timor, which Indonesia seized after it was abandoned by Portuguese colonialists in 1975 and incorporated it into Indonesia the following year. Some of the severest internal critics of human rights abuses in Indonesia were excluded from the three-day workshop and denounced it as a charade.

President Suharto sees the summit as a way of burnishing his international image before his eventual retirement. However the government recently closed three popular magazines which reported on sensitive issues, cracked down on some non-government organisations and labour leaders and instituted a shoot-to-kill campaign to wipe out street crime in Jakarta.

In its latest report, published last month, Amnesty International, the London-based human rights organisation, said that grave violations of human rights continued in Indonesia under an arbitrary misuse of power. It said labour leaders had become the latest targets in the efforts to crush dissent after unrest in Medan, Sumatra, last April.

Officials say that already more than 100 journalists have applied to visit East Timor, where more than 100 people were massacred by the army during a demonstration at a cemetery in 1971.

Bernard Levin, page 18

Basque poll deals blow to Socialists

FROM EDWARD OWEN IN BILBAO

THE minority Socialist government in Spain, besieged by corruption scandals and lacking resolute policies, suffered its second electoral drubbing this year when it lost support in Sunday's elections in the Basque region.

The Socialists lost to Spanish national parties on the left and the right. The United Left won its first six seats in the 75-seat Basque parliament and the centre-right Popular Party almost doubled its vote to take 11. "The Socialist Party has suffered a major blow in the Basque country. Basques want a change," Jaime Mayor Oreja, 43, the Popular Party candidate for the Basque presidency, said.

The marked increase in the penetration of Spanish, as opposed to Basque nationalist, parties in the Basque region shows that independence is not an issue for about half the population. The vote can also be interpreted as being against violence.

The Basque Nationalist Party (PNV), which preaches a democratic route to self-determination and has an ambivalent view of the monarchy ("respect but not loyalty") and the Spanish constitution ("not ours"), will be forced to form a coalition to remain in power. A PNV splinter group is an obvious choice and the Socialists are forced to prop up the PNV because Felipe González needs the support of Basque and Catalan nationalists to govern in Madrid.

Herri Batasuna, the separatist group Eta's political wing, dropped two points on Sunday against previous electoral results, polling 16.3 per cent and losing two seats. But it gained more votes than in last June's elections to the European Parliament because its deputies were offering peace, not violence.

After 26 years of violence and 760 dead, there has not been at Eta attack in Spain for the past two months. It is thought that the unofficial ceasefire might be extended.

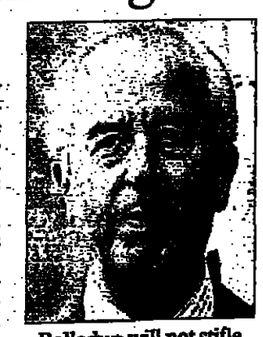
Modest magistrates strike at sleaze among French elite

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN PARIS

YOUNGISH and badly dressed, the clutch of investigators whose names strike terror among France's political and business elite look more like school teachers than avenging lawmen. They do, however, share an austere, ascetic look that fits a revolutionary.

Over the past week, politicians and pundits have concluded with varying degrees of pain or approval that the dogged pursuit of political corruption by these modest examining magistrates is achieving a revolutionary purge of French public life.

Two of the *juges d'instruction* — Renaud Van Ruymbeke of Rennes and Philippe Courroye of Lyons — have forged reputations as fearsome as that of Antonio di Pietro of Milan, although they hold nothing like the powers of the Italian investigator. M Van Ruymbeke, 42, has so far charged Henri Emmanuelli, the Socialist party leader, in connection with illicit party finances, and his sleaze investigations have forced the resignation of Gerard Longuet, the Industry Minister. M Courroye, 35, last week imprisoned Alain Carignon, until recently Minister for Communications. No judge had jailed a French minister since 1847.



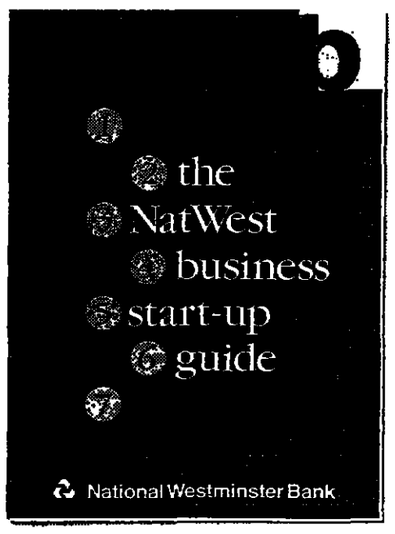
Balladur: will not stifle political prosecutions

How is it, many are asking, that a clutch of magistrates has successfully taken on ministers and captains of industry? The answer springs partly from a shift in the climate. Edouard Balladur, the Gaullist Prime Minister, promised last year to desist from stifling political prosecutions.

Yesterday Pierre Méhaignerie, the Justice Minister, renewed a Napoleonic promise: "My philosophy and that of the government is that justice must follow its course and be the same for everyone." His name is now being cited in connection with an alleged bribery scheme.

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'Mother of security operations' put in place for Clinton

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN JERUSALEM

ISRAEL and Jordan yesterday began mounting what Israel Radio described as "the mother of all security operations" in an attempt to protect President Clinton and tomorrow's spectacular peace signing ceremony in the remote Arava desert from terrorist attack.

Western, Israeli and Arab intelligence reports have pinpointed Palestinian Islamic extremists and Iraqi infiltrators into Jordan as the most likely perpetrators of any outrage designed either to kill the President or to disrupt the ceremony in front of the 5,000 invited VIPs.

"There is no doubt that both President Saddam [Hussein] and Islamic groups such as Hamas are opposed to this treaty and to the presence of the United States leader in the region," one Western security source noted. "The question is whether they attempt to get in close or pick a soft target miles away in an attempt to spoil the party."

Israeli roadblocks will be set up 37 miles north of the ceremony site and only those with invitations or Israeli-issued press card will be permitted through. A joint force of 1,000 Israeli and Jordanian guards will protect the dais where the treaty ending 46 years of war will be signed in the shadow of the purple mountains of Wadi Rum.

Such is the concern about security at what officials claim will be the largest ceremony of its kind ever staged in the Middle East that the 1,000 journalists attending from the Israeli side have been told to travel to the port of Eilat a day early. The 1pm ceremony will will be staged about two miles north of the town where a patch of desert the size of a football pitch has been paved with asphalt after controlled explosions to remove remaining landmines littering the former no-man's land.

Since last Wednesday's Islamic suicide bomb in Tel Aviv in which 22 Jews were killed, scores of Hamas suspects have been arrested by the Israelis in the occupied West Bank. Information has reached Israeli intelligence that Hamas has been instructed to attempt some form of attack to disrupt the proceedings, the most concrete symbol of peace since the 1979 treaty between Israel and Egypt.

Israeli sources claim that both King Husain of Jordan and President Clinton have been placed on a Hamas assassination list. David Kimche, a former Mossad agent and former chief of the Israeli Foreign Ministry, claimed that Jordan's security network was sufficiently strong to prevent the King meeting the same fate as President Sadat of Egypt, assassinated in October 1981.

In addition to Palestinian Islamic militants, many mainstream members of the Palestine Liberation Organisation are also opposed to the peace accord because of the advantage they claim it gives King Husain in his struggle with them to exercise control over the Islamic holy sites in east Jerusalem. Photographs of the Jordanian monarch have been burnt in recent street demonstrations in the Holy City. Some of the strictest security around the Clinton trip will be imposed when he goes on a tour of its sites after dark on Thursday.

Many extreme Israeli rightwingers are also opposed to the peace with Jordan, which some still claim as part of the biblical territory of Israel. Israel's National Religious Party has declared a boycott of the ceremony and attacked the government for "staging an elaborate production while Israeli blood is being spilt".

To ward off a more embarrassing boycott by Likud, Israel's main right-wing opposition party, Yitzhak Rabin, the Prime Minister, has announced that Mr Arafat has not been invited. Most leading members of Likud still dismiss the new Nobel laureate as a "terrorist" and refuse to attend any meeting at which he is present.

Before the signing, Israeli soldiers will lay wreaths on the graves of all the fallen soldiers in Israel's five wars. In the desert, where temperatures are expected to reach 35C, the audience will observe a minute's silence for the thousands who died in the 46 years that Israel and Jordan were technically at war.

White doves and 10,000 balloons will be released over the site where the leaders of Israel, Jordan and America will gather first in a bedouin tent made of black goats' hair. A reminder of the importance of the occasion in domestic American politics will come when the Israeli and Jordanian philharmonic orchestras jointly strike up *The Star Spangled Banner*. Jordanian officials emphasised yesterday that President Clinton will go ahead with his address to Jordan's parliament although members of the Islamic Action Front, with 16 seats the largest single party in the 80-seat house, have announced a boycott of the address. "Clinton is an enemy of our *umma* (nation) in Palestine, Jordan, Iraq, Sudan and elsewhere," Hamza Mansour, the front's spokesman, said. Of more concern to the droves of American servicemen in Amman will be the number of Iraqi agents who have infiltrated it since the 1991 Gulf War. They have carried out a number of attacks, including the assassination of a defecting Iraqi scientist on his way to seek asylum in Britain.



Israeli riot police at the Western Wall in Jerusalem yesterday as security measures were stepped up for President Clinton's visit

Lion's den is home to Mozambique poor

FROM MICHAEL HAMLYN IN BEIRA

MARIA Maziamuso dreams of lions. She dreams she is in a cage and the lions are walking about outside, watching her through the bars.

Her dreams are not so surprising, for she lives in a lions' cage. The lions died of starvation in Mozambique's civil war, the cages were empty and she made an offer to the zoo owner. She pays 80p a month for some of the driest, most stoutly built accommodation around. The bars are covered with cardboard to keep her private and the cage is divided by sacks into two rooms which she shares with her six children, her sister and her three youngsters. There was not much room for two lions, either.

"I don't really like it," she agreed. "It gets very hot in summer. I suffer living here like a chicken in a coop."

The dreadful shortage of housing in a country ravaged by 16 years of war is likely to keep her in her cage for some time. Thousands of people live in shacks built of cane and grass all round the country. Mrs Maziamuso shares a row of cages with another family, Theresa Diez Ernest, 34, and her husband, Juan Razer, 36, a former member and now a reservist in the ruling Frelimo Party's army. They have two separate cages linked by an iron hatch, for themselves and their three surviving children. The zoo, set amid coconut palms and papaya trees in the dusty Beira suburb of Beira Pequena, used to be a more alarming place. Although the lions and other animals had died, the crocodiles had been kept alive by a diet of dogs and cats brought from the city by children. The crocs would escape from their cages from time to time and, until they were found a new home, wander through the garden to the terror of the children.

Serbs fail to end fuel blockade

Sarajevo: The Bosnian Serbs reneged yesterday on a weekend promise to end a debilitating three-week-old fuel blockade of United Nations troops, while in another development it was reported that nine of their soldiers were killed in a government commando raid outside Sarajevo (Joel Brand writes).

The raid was the second by mostly Muslim Bosnian Army commandos in recent weeks. The first, in which 20 Serbs in a military command post were killed, sparked a Serb demand for the withdrawal of troops from Mount Igman.

Russian poll

Moscow: Mikhail Gorbachev, the former Soviet leader, is considering making a political comeback by running against his old rival, Boris Yeltsin, in the Russian presidential election, due in 1996.

Florence plea

Rome: Pietro Fioravanti, the lawyer defending Pietro Pacciani, 69, the suspected serial killer of 16 people, told a court in Florence that the police had the wrong man and pleaded for his acquittal.

Pollution fear

Madrid: Residents of Madrid and its suburbs consumed tonnes of vegetables contaminated by radioactive waste from a nuclear plant spillage in 1970, the daily *El Pais* reported, accusing the government of a cover-up. *(AP)*

Amnesty accuses Algeria of widespread torture

BY MARIANNE DARCH

AT LEAST 10,000 Algerian civilians have been killed by government forces and armed Islamic groups in a wave of violence which shows no sign of diminishing, says an Amnesty report out today.

Human rights have continued to deteriorate after army-backed authorities annulled the general election in December 1991, which the country's Islamic movement was poised to win. Widespread protests by supporters of the Islamic Salvation Front (FIS) led to more than 100 deaths in the first two months of 1992 and an emergency was declared. Unofficial sources estimate deaths since then at 20,000. Torture and ill-treatment of detainees has become common practice again, after the virtual eradication of such actions between 1989 and 1991.

President Zeroual said on August 25 that human rights violations would not be tolerated and asked for reports of such violations to be brought to his attention. However, Amnesty's repeated appeals to investigate alleged atrocities were ignored. Security forces are still allowed to perpetrate crimes in total impunity, and victims of the unrest now include journalists, intellectuals, civil servants, magistrates, and more than 60 foreigners.

In June Yousef Fethallah, president of the Algerian League of Human Rights, was shot dead by unknown gunmen as he went to his office in the centre of Algiers. Armed Islamic groups are deliberately targeting civilians who oppose their political aspirations, Amnesty says.

Authorities maintain that those killed by the security forces died in armed clashes, but the Amnesty report states that hundreds of civilians have been killed as an alternative to arrest or in retaliation for attacks by armed Islamic groups. On August 16 20 people were shot dead by security forces outside their homes in Algiers, reportedly after an armed Islamic group ambushed two army vehicles.

Tens of thousands of people were detained in internment camps in the south of the country at the beginning of 1992, hundreds without being charged or tried for two and a half years. Since February 1993 more than 10,000 people have been tried by special courts set up by an anti-terrorist decree of September 1992. Over 1,100 death sentences have been handed down, most of them in absentia. Executions were suspended at the end of 1993, but people had already received capital punishment.

Confessions extracted from detainees under torture have been accepted by judges, Amnesty says. Methods of torture include the "chiffon", in which torturers insert a cloth into the victim's mouth and pour in large quantities of dirty water mixed with detergents or chemicals. Other techniques include electric shocks, blowtorches, sexual abuse with bottles and sticks, and drilling holes in the body.

Algeria: Repression and violence must end. Amnesty International, 99, Rosebery Avenue, London EC1R 4RE

Tanker loaded Iraqi oil for export

Kuwait: An oil tanker captain, whose vessel was intercepted in the Gulf on suspicion of violating United Nations sanctions, said yesterday he had loaded diesel fuel in Iraq for export in violation of the ban.

Izzat Abdulhadi Khalifa, Egyptian master of the *Al-Mahrousa*, told a news conference on board the vessel that he had loaded 3,162 tonnes of diesel oil in the Iraqi port of Zubayr between October 16 and 19 and sailed south into international waters. He said he was heading to the Iranian port of Abadan.

Armed police were posted on the ship and at the dockside to guard the vessel, which has been cordoned off. The Saudi-owned, Honduran-flagged tanker was brought to Shuaiba port, south of Kuwait City, under escort after a US warship, part of a four-year ship monitoring operation, stopped it in international waters in the northern Gulf on Saturday and transferred the ship to the custody of the Kuwaiti Navy. *(Reuter)*

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Sri Lanka cancels Tamil talks after suicide blast

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS, SOUTH ASIA CORRESPONDENT

SRI Lanka imposed an island-wide curfew and a state of emergency yesterday after a late-night bomb attack killed Gamini Dissanayake, the opposition candidate in presidential elections due in two weeks' time. Fifty-six others, including several leading opposition figures, died.

The attack, bearing the hallmarks of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, made a mockery of the newly elected government's declared belief that it could negotiate peace with the Tigers, one of world's most ruthless rebel groups.

The government called off the second round of peace talks with the Tamils, due to have been held yesterday. The first round earlier this month ended with both sides expressing optimism over the possibility of ending 11 years of civil war.

The bomb is believed to have been detonated by a woman suicide bomber; the head of a woman was found on the roof of a house near the blast. A similar attack, carried out by a man on a bicycle, killed President Premadasa a year ago. A woman suicide bomber, believed to be from the Tigers, assassinated Rajiv Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister, outside Madras in 1991.

The streets of Colombo, the capital, were deserted save for police officers and troops yesterday. The election commission announced that the presidential poll would go ahead on November 9 if the opposition United National Party managed to choose a new candidate by Thursday, a daunting task with almost its entire top leadership wiped out. The party's general secretary and two former Cabinet ministers were among those killed.



Dissanayake: told he was on rebels' hit list

Assassination is a familiar political tool in Sri Lanka. Chandrika Bandaranaike Kumaratunga, elected Prime Minister in parliamentary elections in August, lost both her husband and father to assassins. "I understand the intensity of the grief of all those who have lost loved ones," she said yesterday.

Mr Dissanayake, 53, a Sinhalese, who will be given a state funeral on Thursday, died at ten minutes past midnight after winding up his speech in a Colombo suburb with the words: "Instead of good night, I wish you all a very good morning." The crowded rostrum was torn apart.

The Tigers hated him. As a senior Cabinet minister in the government of J. R. Jayawardene, himself assassinated by a suicide bomber, he played a central role in trying to end the Tamil ethnic battle. He backed an accord with India in the late 1980s under which Delhi sent troops to the troubled north and east of the island, killing many separatist rebels.

Mr Dissanayake entered parliament in 1970 and became one of the most powerful ministers. His political star fell when Premadasa came to power and he returned to the back benches. He was dismissed from the party after launching an unsuccessful impeachment motion against Premadasa in 1991; he rejoined after Premadasa's assassination.

He was described by some Tamil leaders as anti-Tamil. Allegations that he was corrupt and amassed wealth while a Cabinet minister were never brought to court. Just before his death Mr Dissanayake said military intelligence had told him that he was top of the Tigers' hit list.

Ranil Wickremesinghe, a former Prime Minister, is likely to take over the party reins.



Max Bollag with the two most valuable works, recovered in 1991 and now stolen again

Thieves take 7 Picasso paintings

FROM REUTER IN ZURICH

THIEVES broke into a private Zurich art gallery at the weekend and stole seven works by Pablo Picasso worth more than £26 million, including two taken from the same gallery three years ago, police said yesterday.

The thieves broke into the Modern Art Centre near Zurich's main railway station from the cellar of a neighbouring house. None of the works taken was insured. The Picassos stolen were from the painter's "blue" and "rose" periods and were among 80 works given to the father of Max Bollag, the gallery owner, by the Spanish artist.

Mr Bollag said in June 1991 after the two most valuable works, "Seated Woman" and "El Cristo de Montmartre" were stolen, that he had already stopped insuring the pictures because the premiums were prohibitive. These two works alone were worth more than £26 million. They were recovered in February 1992.

Retired head aims to be oldest new boy in Washington

FROM IAN BRODIE IN PAWHUSKA, OKLAHOMA

MID-TERM ELECTIONS

Virgil Cooper, a political novice, could soon have a seat in Congress and a place in history. At 71, he would be the oldest newcomer anyone can remember.

Until three months ago he was delivering meals on wheels in rural Oklahoma and chewing over football and politics at his local diner. They were stunned by his "mad-as-hell" decision to run.

In the primary, Mr Cooper sent a jolt through the Democratic Party by beating Congressman Mike Synar, 43, a liberal with close ties to President Clinton. Mr Cooper, a retired elementary school headmaster, embodied voters' outrage with incumbents in one of the year's biggest upsets.

With his paunch and slow way of talking, he is an improbable giant-killer. He campaigned on a shoestring. While Mr Synar aired expensive television advertisements, Mr Cooper tucked his card under windscreen wipers. He drove hundreds of miles hammering signs into roadside verges and nailing them to trees. He planned his campaign at the kitchen table with his wife and two friends.

Mr Synar spent more than $300,000 (£184,000) to Mr Cooper's $16,900. Mr Cooper won 51 per cent of the votes. Mr Synar's career in Congress had collapsed after 16 years, the price of repeatedly bucking his constituents' conservative sentiments. The National Rifle Association said it had spent thousands defeating Mr Synar, a leading proponent of gun control. But Mr Cooper, who is both a rifle association member and a Baptist deacon, said it did little. Mr Cooper's opponent in the election on November 8 is Tom Coburn, a wealthy Republican doctor, who is unsure how to tackle a folk hero who is front-page news. Money is the issue. Dr Coburn has run through more than $300,000, including funds from distant lobbyists. Mr Cooper has spent $9,000 and refuses donations from outside Oklahoma, except for $50 from his brother-in-law in Texas.

Mr Cooper tells supporters: "People don't give big money because someone's good-looking. They want something. What are they buying?" His campaign logo is a plain chair labelled: "Congressional seat. Property of the people. Not for sale." His campaign slogan is equally simple: "Elect an average citizen!"

Oklahomans chuckle at Mr Cooper's home-spun wisdom. When a reporter suggested asking Mr Clinton to campaign for him, he said: "Why would I do that? He can't vote here." Asked about his opponent winning, he said: "I'd sure hate to see us lose a good doctor."

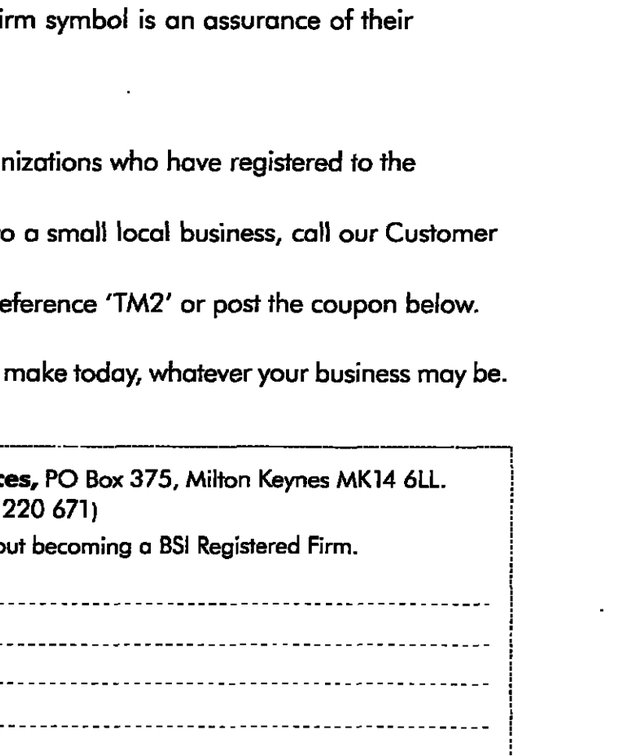
Friends compare the Cooper saga to a remake (retitled) of the James Stewart classic about an idealistic senator, *Mr Smith's Grandpa Goes to Washington*. Mr Cooper has been there only once. He spent far longer in England as a GI awaiting D-Day.

He is expected to win.

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Screenplay doctor on call

Valerie Grove finds Texas and Edinburgh reconciled in Jay Presson Allen, a woman who grew up with Brodie-like principles

Jay Presson Allen, who wrote the play and the film of *The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie*, went to school in Texas, as far as could be from Miss Brodie's pure Edinburgh vowels. But Miss Hockaday's School for Young Ladies in Dallas had its own Brodie-like principles, which is why Mrs Allen is today such a spirited elegant lady, very much in her prime.

"Texas ranch country was a marvellous place to grow up. Tremendous freedom, freedom from danger —and for 50 square miles around everybody knew your dental records."

She was an only child and a show-off, and for a while she trod the boards in revue and in cabaret, but was so miserable "I would wake every morning hoping that something drastic would happen — you know, my parents would be killed in an automobile accident — so I wouldn't have to go. Sometimes I would weep all through the performance, and nobody noticed . . ."

She began to write because she couldn't believe she couldn't do better than most of the terrible things she read. Her first play, written to finance her getaway from a wartime marriage, was rejected: "I brooded for a couple of months, and decided the producer hadn't read it, but merely given it to a reader. My guess was absolutely correct. The reader who rejected it had decamped to Mexico with an actress — but he came back from Mexico and I married him! Revenge, revenge . . ." she laughs. The play was never produced: but the marriage (to Lewis Allen, now a Broadway producer) has been happy for 40 years.

Since then she has written many scripts that have furnished actors with Oscars: she wrote the film of *Cabaret*, and *Travels With My Aunt* and three films with Sidney Lumet including *Deathtrap*. Her first screenplay was *Marnie* for Alfred Hitchcock.

"Hitchcock was a great teacher. We got along famously. He loved having women around, and his way of seducing was to create professional opportunities for you. He did everything he could to turn me into a director." But by then she had a daughter, Brooke — now a writer, who co-authored with her mother *The Big Love* for Tracy Ullman. Brooke has 18-month-old twin girls. "That's a 24-hour-a-day circus," says the adoring grandmother. "They're like monkeys, they make me laugh so. That's what all my compulsion to carry on working is about. Well, wouldn't you like to have a rich, doting grandmother?"

As a seasoned writer for hire in a Hollywood of "young buccaneers who turn out scripts on spec and auction them for a-m-a-z-ing amounts of money, against hair-raising odds" — she is a mistress of the rewrite, with a reputation as a screenplay doctor.

> They want it fast, it's quick, they pay nicely, and it's over and out

"They call you when they're desperate. It's quick, they want it fast, they pay nicely, and it's over and out. You don't take on anything you don't believe you can help. In rewriting, the key is enlarging the characterisation, and sometimes bringing a little humour to it. That's always a good idea. Since I have a very short attention span, I love it. I just oversaw a script about high school kids which was a lot of fun. The key to all film scripts is: Surprise me. Just give me a little bit of a surprise."

Her next project is the film of Pat Barker's admirable novel *Regeneration*, about shell-shocked soldiers in the First World War, shooting in Scotland next year. She is also writing a film based on a piece of *New Yorker* reportage by William Finnegan, about his experience of doing jury service on a case of a young mugger. Tina Brown's *New Yorker* has become a hot repository of stories with cinematic potential. "There were six people chasing that story for a movie," says Mrs Allen. "Until Tina's arrival at the *New Yorker* there were people turning out a piece every seven years . . ."



ALLAN WELLER

Jay Presson Allen: the key to rewriting a script, she says, is enlarging character and perhaps adding humour

The Allens live at the epicentre of Manhattan, and have a house in Umbria and a 15th-century English barn with golden oak beams, dismantled and currently in storage in Wiltshire. She is now advertising the barn for sale in the three likeliest selling areas: Germany, Colorado and Litchfield County, Connecticut.

Thirty two years since she adapted the play from Muriel Spark's glittering novel, Mrs Allen has seen "Miss Brodie" and her *crème de la crème* pass into the language. She has known many Jean Brodies — Anna Massey, Zoe Caldwell, Maggie Smith — as it is written into her contract that she sits in on each production. She has just been in Bath with the one which opens at the Strand Theatre on Tuesday night, and in her highly critical view Patricia Hodge is Brodie incarnate, and will be a hit. "I just know she's so right. She's perfect."

Why Heathrow is a disgrace

The yawning hole at the airport's heart is a sign of national decline

LAST MONTH a huge hole, 60ft wide and almost as deep, suddenly opened in one of Munich's main roads and swallowed up a crowded bus. Two passengers were killed and 30 were injured as the bus disappeared into the collapsed remains of an underground railway tunnel that was under construction using the so-called New Austrian Tunnelling Method. It was the second such alarming hole to appear in the streets of Munich in these circumstances, so the police launched a criminal investigation.

They also instituted a blanket publicity ban, so most of us heard nothing more about this catastrophe beyond a few soothing words from the Austrian project manager employed to advise on using this technique underneath the world's busiest international airport and two of the world's busiest railway stations, London Bridge and Waterloo. He said, as I suppose he would, that it couldn't possibly happen here.



MARGOT NORMAN

Shortly afterwards, as you know, a large hole opened up at Heathrow and tried to swallow a building full, appropriately enough, of engineers working on the Heathrow Express tunnels. For a moment I, and millions of others who have to pass through that devilish place on their way in and out of this country, wished that the hole might be big enough to swallow the entire grisly shooting match.

My Hungarian house guest certainly felt that way. She arrived last week with four enormous suitcases, spluttering: "I simply cannot believe vot a hole zat airport is. It's like a third vorld nightmare. And such an impossible hole to crawl into and out of! It took all morning to get into town on that appalling choked road. How can zis country possibly function when nobody can get in or out of its main port of entry? It must take longer to get onto a plane from central London zan it does to fly anywhere in Europe!"

And that's just in normal times. On Sunday, in the middle of the hole crisis, she had to fly to Tokyo. The radio advised using the tube to Heathrow, but failed to warn passengers how strenuous this would be. (It is still physically impossible to change at Hammersmith with four suitcases, despite the millions spent on what claims to be a proper modern transport interchange. In the end she took a fixed price mini-cab, which was just as well because by that time they'd closed the station at Terminal 4 . . .

It will all improve, we used to tell ourselves, once they've finished mending the M4 and the M25 and got the Heathrow Express working. The roads had to be dug up because, in the British way, they were built wrong in the first place. Like our railway tracks that can't cope with the leaves that fall every autumn and the snow that falls every winter, the motorways couldn't cope with the sunshine that expands them every summer. But surely, we said, they wouldn't make the same mistake with the new railways?

Railtrack's engineers have always been uneasy about using the Austrian system in London clay which, as every London householder knows, is prone to subsidence. What worried them was not so much a Munich-style catastrophe as the prospect of railway lines distorting and bridges cracking around the new Jubilee Line extension tunnels under Waterloo and London Bridge. Commercial engineers, led of course by the Austrians, poohpoohed these fears. Railtrack was having a hard time maintaining its cautious approach against commercial pressures, but it must now be regarding the Heathrow hole as a blessing in disguise. Conventional tunnelling is vastly more expensive in complex interchanges but it now looks as though we shall just have to take a deep breath and find the money to do the job properly both at Heathrow and on the Jubilee Line. Just do the job properly.

Heathrow Airport ought to be a source of national pride. Instead, as photographs of it imploding show only too clearly, it is a shoddy, sprawling monument to the philosophy of make-do and mend. Before anyone reaches for the sticking plaster, they should put a demolition gang on to the job.

Julia Llewellyn Smith meets a man who has reported on 27 revolutions

His deadline is history

Five minutes from Harrods in the tearoom of the Basil Street Hotel, tourists are recovering from a hard morning's shopping. The last thing they want to hear is Ryszard Kapuscinski describing how it feels when you know you are going to die.

"You don't scream or cry," says this little Pole. He sips his coffee and the room falls silent. "You become mentally paralysed. You see it in the eyes of people before the firing squad. There is no hope, so they are completely passive."

Teacups rattle and a businessman drops his copy of the *Financial Times*. Kapuscinski (pronounced Ka-poo-chin-ski) grins embarrassedly. "But we are talking about very depressing things," he says quickly. "Tell me, what are you doing this weekend?"

Such diffidence is typical of the man generally acknowledged as the greatest living war correspondent; no mean accolade in the age of CNN, where Kate Adie and Brent Sadler hop from Bosnia to Somalia as the rest of us trundle from the bank to the supermarket.

These are Kapuscinski's colleagues, yet this shy, courteous man refuses to conform to their gung-ho stereotype. Rather than bang on about bullet dodging and beery nights, Kapuscinski is reluctant to describe the difficulties of reporting on 27 revolutions and being sentenced to death four times. If you want to read how Nigerian soldiers doused him in petrol, you will have to read his books. "I thought I will never come back on some of these assignments," is all he will say.

The greatest difference, however, between Kapuscinski and the rest of the hack pack is in reporting styles. Since he began working for the Polish Press Agency 40 years ago, Kapuscinski, 62, has barely stopped moving from coup to civil war.

Wherever he went, he would telex Warsaw with prose that far transcended his journalist's brief. While the others regurgitated the events of the day, Kapuscinski would make his readers understand a place by focusing on the details. In his book *Shah of Shahs* Kapuscinski explained the Iranian revolution by discussing the goings-on in a bus queue in Teheran. In *The Emperor* he investigates the power structure surrounding Haile Selassie by talking to the man who cleaned visiting dignitaries' shoes of the emperor's dog's urine.



"I need to say I touched it"

Woven into these vignettes are chunks of history, philosophy and straight reportage. Kapuscinski describes his style as collage. "The post-modern world is a combination of so many elements, and out of this you have to compose something. History is moving so fast, so I have to try to make the book something which is lasting."

It is a daunting task, not least in the case of Kapuscinski's travels in the dying Soviet Union between 1989 and 1991, that make up his latest book, *Imperium*. Since then the republics have changed and changed again, but its author is unruffled by the dramas he missed. "The book was published one and a half years ago in Poland and people say why so late in England? But my ambition is it will stay in literature after ten years, 20 years."

His next book will be his definitive history of Africa, which he will write from Warsaw. "But I am from Pinsk," he explains. When he was born, in 1932, Pinsk was in eastern Poland; now it is part of Belorussia and in *Imperium* he recalls the Soviet invasion of 1939.

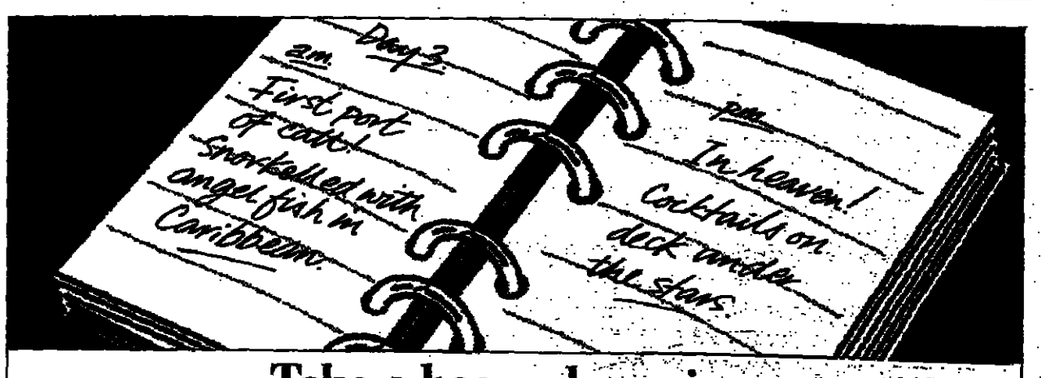
His family escaped to the West and, thanks to Soviet restrictions, it was more than 50 years before Kapuscinski returned to his birthplace. There are obvious connections between this displaced childhood and the peripatetic adult: the seven-year-old begging soldiers for cigarettes to assuage his hunger and the elderly gentleman who feels happiest surrounded by deprivation. "I communicate with a lack of things," he says, looking ruefully about the lounge.

His powers of endurance are, he admits, unnatural. "History in the making is sometimes very bloody. I have had many colleagues give up and I'm still going strong. But their reaction is normal, mine is not." Yet he spares his readers the gore. "Such massacres as in Rwanda you can't describe. Much more important is to try to explain the situation. The killings are only a small part of life."

This conviction has ensured that Kapuscinski remains an optimist, still untouched by that occupational hazard of journalism: cynicism. "I'm very curious," he says. "I need to be able to say I touched it. Otherwise I'm very uncertain." It was his inquisitiveness that saved him from the censor's pen, in the years when admirers wondered if his criticisms of Third World regimes might not also have some relevance to events at home. "They would say we cannot print this — it does not reflect the theory of Marxist conflict. I said 'But I *saw* this.'"

"My problem," says Kapuscinski "is that I have absolutely no imagination."

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Evelyn Waugh was as irritable and boorish as he was talented. But the reason may have lain not in his genes but in his medicine

Did bromide make Waugh vile?



Waugh at work: a rare moment of tranquillity for the writer

Edited extracts of Selina Hastings's biography of Evelyn Waugh have reopened discussion among doctors on Evelyn Waugh's psycho-pathology. Did some of the less desirable features of his personality spring from psychiatric disease, unrecognised at the time? Was his treatment with potassium bromide inadequate and dangerous? Or was Waugh, as is usually assumed, merely a cantankerous man generally too self-obsessed to care much for the feelings of those around him, whether they were family, colleagues or the men under his command?

It has been suggested that Evelyn Waugh inherited a streak of cruelty from his grandfather, a doctor. However, cruelty is not an isolated genetic factor, like blue eyes, but rather a symptom which may occur in many types of personality disorder.

The biography gives a good account of bromide poisoning: it was so common in the last century, and in the first 40 years of this, that overdosage was classified as a disease in itself, bromism. Bromide is a poor tranquilliser and toxic when taken to excess; unless the dose of potassium bromide is carefully regulated the amount of circulating bromide is either too small to have a therapeutic effect, or so large that it accumulates in the body to the point of bromide intoxication.

Lady Selina describes how Waugh at first confined his bromide-taking to a night-time hypnotic dose, but later swallowed it by day, mixed with chloral hydrate and crème de menthe, as a supplement to gin. It would be amazing if, taking bromide like this, Waugh had not shown signs of bromism, and by her account he did. Waugh's complexion is described as swollen and congested, his skin blotchy and mottled and



DR THOMAS STUTTAFORD

angry red. Lady Selina writes of his physical cruelty to other boys at his prep school and later his mental cruelty to his family and friends. She describes his increasing paranoia, his rudeness, his unusual approach to sex and his language liberally laced with parade-ground obscenities. But she also describes the remorse Waugh felt later after his worst excesses, and his abiding regret that he could not be as other men were and enjoy the quality of personal relationships which they had.

Bromide can induce a variety of skin conditions: the face is usually red, certainly mottled and often covered by an acne-type rash; similar rashes appear on other parts of the body, from which the skin may peel off. The patient also suffers from a disturbed appetite and nausea and can have intractable vomiting. The central nervous system is affected, speech is slurred and the patient develops a marked shake and a staggering gait.

Psychiatric changes are equally pronounced. There is loss of memory, extreme irritability, paranoid delusions — even hallucinations — depression or mania. Indeed, all the symptoms of toxic psychosis are recorded.

Evelyn Waugh describes a short psychotic episode, always thought to be autobiographical, in his book *The Ordeal of Gilbert Penfold*. This episode was induced by the unwise sampling of mescaline or some other hallucinatory drug.

The question is whether Waugh had a personality in which his character was always one which concealed any incipient Penfold-type breakdown, or was he only an over-tense man who was badly tranquillised?

If he had lived later and had been adequately treated from an early age literature might have been the poorer but his health, mood and family might have benefited. The tragedy is that by the time he died appropriate tranquillisers were already available. If these had been prescribed, the final chapters of his life, and his biography, might have been very different.

● Evelyn Waugh: A biography *by Selina Hastings (Sinclair Stevenson, £20) will be published on October 31.*

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Hunger, shock and heat can all produce a faint, and common sense suggests no treatment is required other than reassurance and a glass of water

Fickle finger of faints

Most blackouts are trivial but some can be fatal, says Dr James Le Fanu

People faint for all manner of reasons: hunger, excessive heat after standing immobile too long on the parade ground, the sight of blood or some other stomach-churning spectacle, exhaustion, shock or dehydration.

In a minute or two before it happens, and in quick succession, the victim feels nauseous, claustrophobic, dizzy, sweaty, spots dance in front of the eyes, then everything goes black.

In popular terminology this is a blackout, and no cause for alarm. Recovery is spontaneous and immediate and little further needs to be done other than to offer reassurance, a blanket and a glass of water.

If, however, an ambulance is summoned and the now recovered fainter is transported to hospital, matters become more complex. For as Dr M.C. Petch, cardiologist at the famous Papworth Hospital, put it recently in the *British Medical Journal*: "While any ordinary person can recognise a common faint, regrettably doctors seem to find the diagnosis difficult."

The trouble is that they know too much. There is actually quite a long list of potential causes of blackouts for the concerned physician to consider. This includes narrowed heart valves, disturbances of heart rhythm, epilepsy, and anything that can reduce a continued flow of blood to the brain.

Investigating these possibilities requires an extensive series of tests, all of which almost invariably turn out to be normal. The medical verdict is that the blackout was "just a faint" — or, in scientific jargon, "a vasovagal attack" — and that nothing more needs to be done.

For Dr Petch, common sense rather than arcane medical investigations is the best guide to action. The distinction between a common faint and other more serious causes, he argues, is made by paying attention to the circumstantial evidence.

Common faints are precipitated by one or other of the physical or emotional factors already considered. These act via the autonomic nervous system to dilate the blood vessels throughout the body. As a result blood pressure falls, oxygenated blood can no longer make it from the heart up to the brain, and the result is a blackout. As the victim collapses to the ground his brain is now at the same level as his heart, and so blood once again reaches the brain and recovery is immediate.

This whole cycle, from premonitory symptoms to full recovery, usually takes two or three minutes. By contrast, most of the more serious causes of blackouts are something to do with the heart. They come out of the blue without any precipitating cause, are instantaneous, and recovery is slower.

Investigating this type of blackout, known as cardiac syncope, with a continuous recording of the heart rhythm may reveal episodes where it suddenly speeds up or slows down, and for which the best treatment is a pacemaker. Alternatively it may be due to a narrowed heart valve or disease of heart muscle known as cardiomyopathy, which requires treatment with drugs or an operation.

The crucial distinction between the common faint and these more serious types of cardiac syncope is the absence of an obvious precipitating factor, and it is these patients who require more thorough investigations.

That, at least, was the fairly clearcut situation until recently, when doctors Adam Fitzpatrick and Richard Sutton of London's Royal Brompton Hospital focused their attention on a group of patients who seemed to fall somewhere in between. Their blackouts were preceded by premonitory feelings, like those who were about to have a common faint, but they were recurrent and occurred in the absence of a precipitating cause. They thus resembled cardiac syncope, though there was nothing wrong with the heart.

Those with this type of faint invariably recovered rapidly, but they were prone to minor lacerations and bruising, or serious complications such as fractured bones in road traffic accidents.

Drs Fitzpatrick and Sutton found these fainting episodes could be replicated by tilting the patients backwards on a table at an angle of 40° for about an hour. This suggests an impairment of the mechanisms which maintain steady blood pressure, and has been called malignant (i.e. serious) vasovagal (faint) syndrome.

This problem is difficult to treat, but in a recent issue of the *British Heart Journal*, Drs Fitzpatrick and Sutton report a study of 37 patients treated with a pacemaker in whom the total number of faints per year fell from 137 to 11. This "massive reduction", they argue, is "powerful evidence" for the value of identifying and treating this particular group of patients.

Fainting therefore covers the entire spectrum, from the trivial to the potentially life-threatening. The crucial clues lie, as always, not in complex tests but in listening to the patient's description of what has happened.

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How to stop suicide

The Government is aiming to reduce the suicide toll, but can doctors make more than a limited contribution?

I HAD been in practice only about a year when the distraught wife of a patient rushed into my surgery asking me to come immediately to look at her husband. Their house wasn't far, but he was not in the home, she said. He was in the garage, and a short pipe led from the exhaust of his car into the smoke-filled interior where he lay dead. I had seen him four weeks previously, with a chest infection, but I suddenly remembered he had mentioned some financial problems in an off-hand sort of way. Could I have prevented his death?

The Chief Medical Officer has set a target of reducing suicides by 15 per cent overall, and by twice that among mentally ill people. Many GPs are concerned that the responsibility for achieving this target will rest mainly with them, but the average GP will see only one suicide roughly every seven years. In England and Wales there are about 4,000 suicides each year, so the Department of Health is looking for a reduction of 600 to 1,000 each year.

It cannot be done, argues Professor Greg Wilkinson of the London Hospital Medical College. The knowledge that mentally ill people are the most likely group to produce suicides has not helped to lower the figures at all. One study identified a whole series of risk factors for suicide in the mentally ill — such as previous suicide attempts, or a family history of mania — but the model failed to predict any of the suicides in 46 patients who killed themselves during the study period.

The World Health Organisation argues that the way to prevent suicide is to modify the factors that cause it. If unemployment and social isolation were reduced, they argue, and people had better education and more social support, suicide rates would fall generally. However, the evidence is not convincing that these factors have an impact on the rate of suicide. Money would be better spent, Professor Wilkinson argues, on diagnosing and treating mental illness.

> My patient had no history of mental illness

H.G. Morgan, Professor of Mental Health at Bristol University, argues that it is the good work of GPs which actually keeps the suicide rate as low as it is in this country. It was commonly thought that many suicidal patients saw their own GPs shortly before committing suicide: if GPs were given greater support and education in assessing potentially suicidal patients, more lives could be saved. But new information from Scotland casts doubt on this. In a recent survey of more than 1,000 suicides in 16 years in Scotland, only 15 per cent had seen their GP within a week of killing themselves, and they might not have revealed their suicidal ideas at that time.

Targeting patients with a history of psychiatric illness does seem a fruitful strategy in preventing suicide: careful listening by GPs and easy access to mental health services and social services to help these people in their crisis might just prevent their tragedy.

Looking back, my patient certainly was not suicidal in the conventional sense of the word, and he did not have a history of mental illness. I can comfort myself by arguing that we just do not know enough about what precipitates suicide or how to prevent it. But the possibility of having prevented his death lingers with me.

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Why can't MPs have another life?

Members need to have outside interests, argues **Andrew Rowe**

My gross parliamentary salary is £31,687.00 — and very privileged I am to have been elected to earn it. When I offered myself for selection to my Constituency Association, I told them that I would do my best to represent their interests in Parliament and use my parliamentary position to help them as much as possible at home and abroad. I told them that I had been divorced and was shortly to remarry, and that I felt both my experience of previous jobs and of life's difficulties had equipped me for the job of being their MP.

Since then, I have moved house to live in the constituency, my phone number is in the directory and I have made myself available to constituents both in Kent and in London during most weeks of every year. In return, they have, to an extraordinary degree, treated me as they would the other professionals in their lives. If the telephone rings very late at night or early in the morning, it is more likely to be a journalist than a constituent, although from time to time an emergency occurs which needs immediate response. Like most MPs, I expect to have my share of weekend engagements, although I try to limit the number of Sunday activities. For seven or eight months each year the lives of myself and my wife are dominated by the unpredictable parliamentary timetable, information about which reaches us for the week ahead on Thursday evenings. During these months, 10.30 is the earliest I get home to bed from Monday to Thursday, and 2 or 3am is by no means uncommon. All that seems to me to be part of the "contract" between me and my constituents.

To what else are they entitled? They are surely entitled to expect that I will be open with them about any interest which might affect my capacity to serve theirs. If I am a director of a company seeking planning permission in the area, or I act as a consultant to a company with interests in the constituency, they should know this. If I am sponsored by a union involved in a dispute in the constituency, they should know that too. The easiest way of dealing with this is to have a public record, as well as expecting the MP to mention it when necessary. This is why the register of members' interests is important.

I believe my constituents are entitled to hope that I shall not behave publicly in ways which call their judgment into question. If I brawl in public or drive recklessly, flaunt a mistress or strip myself naked in Whitehall, the association is entitled to demand an explanation or punish me. If, on the other hand, I behave discreetly and keep my life away from constituency work hidden from the world, how much right has my association to interfere, and on what is that right based? The possibility that something which could cause embarrassment might one day reach a wider audience? It seems a lot to have bought for £32,000 paid for by someone else.

As James I's Lord Chancellor, Francis Bacon cheerfully declared that he would take any bribe that was offered but would not allow it to affect his judgment. But we live in less robust times, and it seems clearly right that if an MP receives money for doing or saying something, he should say so publicly, or be punished. We should, however, be extremely careful about taking the rules too far. In any other walk of life, what people do in their spare time is their own business, and it should be so for MPs. Although there is no clear limit to the job, it is absurd to imagine that MPs should have no spare time. If they choose to use it writing books, taking photographs, reviewing jazz for record companies, appearing on chat-shows or growing prize-winning dahlias, they present no problems, and MPs on both sides of the House rejoice in a wide variety of such profitable sidelines.

So what is the difference if the MP's spare-time activity consists of pursuing the career he had before entering the House? Suppose he used to be a director of a company which had created jobs in and contributed substantially to the prosperity of the area that he now represents? His business's contribution may have been one of the reasons why he was chosen as MP. Is he to be frowned upon for using his spare time to foster its success? Surely not. So what of the MP whose expertise lies in insurance or stockbroking? Must he renounce his interest in what he used to do?

> His business may have been a reason for electing him at all

Many MPs spend less than five years in Parliament, yet that is quite long enough to jeopardise their chances of re-employment.

At present there is a clamour for "full-time" MPs. But is Parliament enhanced or damaged by members who deploy their skills and experience in the world outside Parliament? Would the public gain or lose from having a House of Commons consisting only of people who have been forced to forswear any outside activity that enhances their salaries?

Westminster is full of MPs who have too much occupation but too little worthwhile work. The Government has far too much control over the Commons. Britain is too centralised, with the result that governments feel bound to introduce endless legislation, with the result that most of it is poorly prepared, under-scrutinised and very difficult to implement effectively. It is extraordinarily difficult to hold governments to account, and Parliament's links with the European Union are stunted to the point of atrophy.

It is hard to imagine that we are properly equipped for the next century. It would be typically and disastrously British if in our desire to codify a tiny, though important aspect of parliamentary behaviour, we made decisions about the future of MPs without considering the future of Parliament.

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The social justice report could present Labour with an electoral double bind, writes **Sarah Baxter**

Blair's big idea must start from here

Sir Gordon Borrie, the chairman of the Social Justice Commission, has a vivid recollection of the day he went to see Jack Jones, the veteran trade unionist and pensioners' rights campaigner, and explained to him that the report was not a manifesto for the next election, but a strategy for the year 2010.

"What's the use of that?" Jones exclaimed. "Most of my pensioners won't be alive then. I want to know what you are going to do for us now!"

So do we all, but neither the Labour Party nor the commission feels ready to tell us. The report is stuffed with policy initiatives, but they nearly all cost money. The Tories are already totting up the cost in taxes, and Labour is determined not to commit itself to a shopping list with price-tags.

Borrie claims that the recommendations are "self-financing", and it is obviously more productive to assist people to work than to trap them on benefits, but the commissioners say they believe in an investors' rather than a deregulators' Britain, and the trouble is that investments have start-up costs. Hence the denials that the report is a manifesto. Labour's spin-doctors have been stressing that the commission is an independent and purely advisory body. But they are in danger of protesting too much. The commission is Labour's nearest thing so far to a "big idea".

Tony Blair went some way towards recognising this when he said at the launch that the report was proof that the left-of-centre was coming to dominate the political battle of ideas. He has mentioned before that he favours a volunteer citizen's service, and Gordon Brown and Donald Dewar have already expressed an interest in the idea of a minimum pension guarantee both of which feature in the report.

One of Blair's first moves on becoming leader was to make the secretary of the commission, David Miliband, his head of policy. Last week's appointment of Harriet Harman as Shadow Employment Secretary is another sign that Blair takes seriously the idea that there has been a revolution in women's work since Beveridge drafted his plans for a welfare state based on full employment for men.

If a number of ideas get the cold shoulder, it should be remembered that Margaret Thatcher did not base her 1979 manifesto on the recommendations of right-wing think-tanks either. Ideas from the Adam Smith Institute and elsewhere helped to determine the intellectual climate, but they were adopted in office, not in opposition, and were usually modified along the way.

The commission began in unpropitious circumstances. John Smith had been embarrassed by the disastrous reception of his 1992 shadow election budget, in which the modest sums raised in taxes were going to be spent almost exclusively on higher pensions and child benefit. The idea was that the commission would quietly overturn his work. The talk then was that Labour could never win on its own again. Lib-Lab cooperation was in the air, and two Liberal Democrat sympathisers were drafted in as members.

The beauty of an independent body was that its work could be disowned if necessary, and the Labour party was already losing interest by the time the commission was launched in December 1992. The devaluation of the pound gave comfort to Labour's one-more-heavers, who were in no mood to cooperate with the Lib Dems or to examine the reasons for the party's defeat.

The Left and the unions regarded the commission's brief to reform the welfare state as yet another modernisers' plot to ditch everything Labour believed in, and Smith began to worry that its ideas would offend too many traditionalists. But in the past two years the political landscape has been transformed. The family, lone parenthood, community, crime and unemployment have become top political priorities. The Conservatives have also been turning their minds to the reform of the welfare state. Blair wants to make this field his own.

The report's findings will now be chewed over by Labour's internal economic policy commission. They may emerge in the Labour's election manifesto in unrecognisable form, or not at all. But the impression being given in some quarters that the commission's work, while "valuable", is of almost no consequence, is wide of the mark.

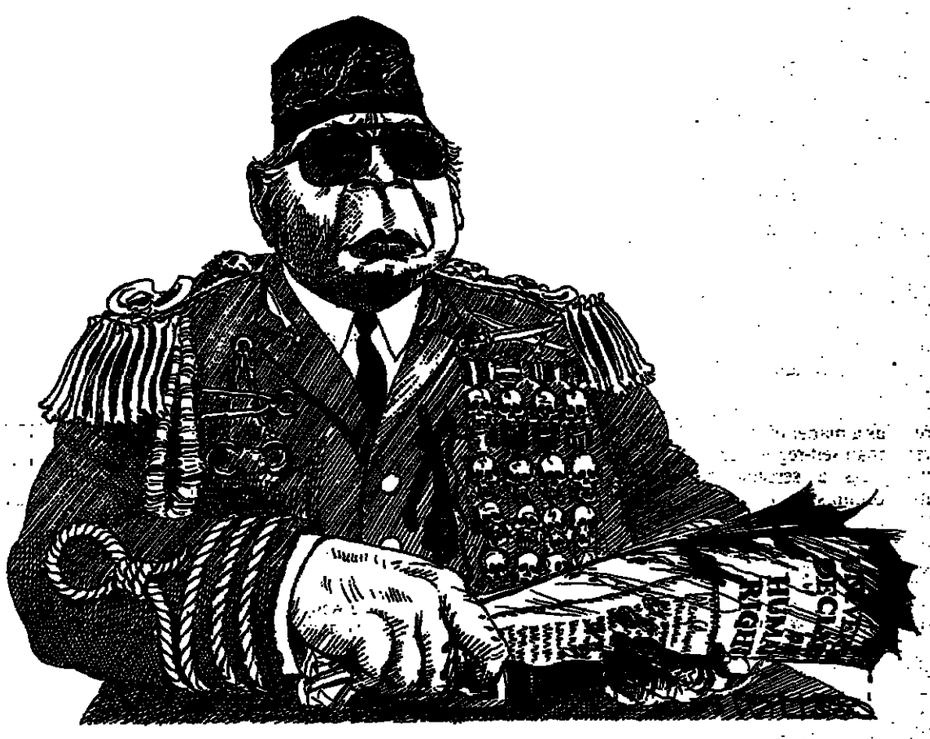
The problem is that the Labour Party — and, in particular, the Shadow Chancellor, Gordon Brown — does not want to fight the next election on the Tories' home ground of tax and spending. Yet it is almost impossible to avoid this when drawing up policies for the welfare state.

The commission has been acutely aware of this problem. By suggesting that child benefit for those on high incomes could be taxed, or that graduates could contribute to the cost of higher education, it has tried to raise money as well as spend it. But this approach has two flaws. It means that as well as gainers, there are losers who might cause a fuss, and in any case few people are going to be interested in the detailed sums. The fear is the Tories will be able to run a Labour tax bombshell campaign.

Just as serious for Labour, however, would be a rerun of its 1992 manifesto, in which virtually nothing could be promised except "as resources allow". Some of the spin-doctoring going on this week has that same feel to it, which is rather ridiculous, given that the social justice commission was charged with remodelling the welfare state precisely so that this problem could be avoided. Worse than that, it makes Labour look as though it is still fighting shy of ideas.

Stop excusing tyranny

Indonesia may be able to fool visiting MPs by putting on a show, but officially sanctioned mass murders continue



Bernard Levin

When I read the singularly unimpressive letter in *The Times* on October 4 from Mr Patrick Nicholls, MP, extolling the wonderful newfound cleansed attitude of President Suharto's regime in Indonesia, I was not greatly reassured. (Mr Nicholls and a group had been visiting Indonesia, and — surprise, surprise — they found it just as its ruler would have liked them to find.) True, Suharto had promised to murder slightly fewer people in East Timor than had been his practice hitherto, but since he had already murdered a number running to something between half a million and a million, logic alone (to say nothing of the corpses), makes clear that there were substantially smaller numbers left to murder.

But there was another letter, on October 11, from a Mr Jonathan Humphreys, and rarely if ever have I seen such a demolition. For readers who missed it, I must summarise.

First, Nicholls described his jaunt as being "all-party"; Humphreys says that Nicholls's band was made up entirely of Tories and Ulster Unionists. Next, Humphreys reveals that Nicholls and friends spent only three days in East Timor, and even there did not leave the capital. Then again, Nicholls leaned on a shaky stick when he made much too much of the very guarded statements of Bishop Belo (a most courageous prelate). Indeed, the bishop (who was tape-recorded) said: "It is sad that in three days they can state that they know the situation ... and that the people are happy, they agree with integration. I think it is not very fair to say that ... They need to stay more and know the people ..."

But the splendid Mr Humphreys has not finished chewing Mr Nicholls up and spitting him out. Bishop Belo denies that there has been an improvement in the human rights situation, though Nicholls says otherwise. And — a *bonne-bouche* — during the Nicholls-and-company visit, Indonesian soldiers appeared to have been kept off the streets of the capital, but they were back in force as soon as the Nicholls lot left.

Now then: an exchange of letters can be useful, but it is not sufficient. I have before me Amnesty International's comprehensive study of the vast spread of breaches of human rights in Indonesia and East Timor. It is a book of 126 pages, containing catalogue of wickedness that should make Mr Nicholls ashamed of himself, but probably won't.

I am sometimes told that, terrible though the monstrous Indonesian massacres of 1965 were, those days have long gone. That is a delusion: mass slaughter is still a ready weapon, as I shall show, and Indonesia is today still a stewpot of violations of elementary human rights, including murders. Nor are these committed by ones and twos, as as the peaceful people of Dili, the capital of East Timor, could testify, were it not for the fact that in November 1991, 270 peaceful demonstrators were slaughtered by government troops.

Major General Mantiri said of that massacre:

> We don't regret anything. What happened was quite proper ... They were opposing us, demonstrating, even yelling things against the government. To me that is identical with rebellion, so that is why we took firm action ... I don't think there's anything strange in that.

I dare say he didn't; and probably Major General Pramono would agree, because he says

> I have told the community, if you find a terrorist [definition elastic], kill him. There's no need to investigate him. Don't let people be the victims. If they don't do as you order them, shoot them on the spot, or butcher them. I tell members of the community to carry sharp weapons, a machete or whatever. If you meet a terrorist [definition elastic], kill him.

But 270 is small by Indonesian standards: when in 1975 the Indonesians invaded and took East Timor, they managed to kill — by slaughter, starvation and disease — some 200,000, and between 1989 and 1993 they killed 2,000 civilians during counter-insurgency operations.

That, of course, is the fruit of arbitrary and total rule: Suharto has reigned by brute force for decades now; there are no checks on his actions, no limits to what his armed forces may do. There is no independent legal system. Criminals are killed without any trial (and anyway criminals are who the system says they are), and the authorities boast of the number of their victims.

Now let me introduce you to the Anti-Subversion Law. It is used to justify the detention without trial of hundreds of thousands of alleged government opponents and to put thousands more through show trials. The Anti-Subversion Law facilitates detention, torture and random killing; it even manages to provide harsher penalties than other laws on political crimes, including the death penalty. But then the "ordinary" laws include seven years imprisonment for "the public expression of feelings of hostility, hatred or contempt toward the government".

Not that there is a need for laws that prohibit the expression of hostility toward the government; such a law is a minnow among the evils of Suharto's reign, for in April this year, the Indonesian authorities woke up to the fact that the Asia Pacific Economic Co-operation summit meeting is to be held in November, and Jakarta must look its best. For instance, it would not do for the foreign visitors to know that there is a substantial crime-rate in Indonesia, which is rising. What to do?

Well, the rate of summary killings of suspected criminals had been, and is, rising, and in April 1994 the authorities announced that 16,700 soldiers and police had been mustered for a new anti-crime drive, code-named Operation Cleansing. I think my readers can guess why the visitors from other countries were not affronted by the sight of criminals. But just to make sure, I can offer you what was said by Major General Hindarto, Police Chief of Jakarta. He said: "Jakarta must be cleared of all criminals. Educating them is no longer an effective means of bringing down the rate of violent crime here. We have no choice but to impose harsh laws."

And what about Aceh? Aceh is a province of Indonesia, and there has long been a peaceful movement for independence. But independence is not a word to speak under the rule of Suharto and his satraps. The time had come to make sure that Aceh would no longer think of something so dangerous. Between 1989 and 1993, some 2,000 civilians — including women, the old and children — were killed by Indonesian forces. Some died in public executions. The bodies of others, killed secretly, were left to rot in public places, having been mutilated. Many were left where they were killed, because the surviving villagers were afraid to go and get their murdered families. This great wave of mass murders began immediately Suharto ordered 6,000 troops to be deployed in counter-insurgency.

As I think I have made clear, the terrible things that still go on in Indonesia are not from years ago. Most, indeed, date from 1988 or later, and many from 1993 or 1994. But if Mr Nicholls, MP wants to argue that the bad things in Indonesia are in the past, I can offer him the very latest bulletin, hot off the press.

For Amnesty International's Dr Geoffrey Robinson has been travelling through Indonesia for signs — good or bad — that will show whether things are changing there, and he was in Indonesia only a few weeks ago. The signs were bad, and some getting worse. For instance, Dr Robinson found that in East Timor the government intimidation of lawyers and journalists has grown worse, not better. He found the same in the matter of arbitrary killings of criminals, and that among pro-democracy groups it was at its worst. For instance, four men were arrested on 21 September in Jakarta for releasing balloons bearing messages such as "Uphold the rights of workers" and "The 1945 constitution guarantees freedom to organise". Two of the arrested men were tortured for at least two days.

And so it goes on, perhaps for ever, while our government fawns on Suharto and his thugs, and visitors like Nicholls speak good of evil. Well, I can do nothing about it but write words, and that I have done. If a family reads them on the way to a nice holiday in Bali, I wish them only understanding.

Trouble spot

THERE ARE suggestions in Gloucestershire that the Prince of Wales might have resorted to the most experienced of diplomatic outfits to help try to resolve his marital difficulties. Yesterday he was visited at Highgrove by Boutros Boutros-Ghali, the Secretary General of the United Nations.

Despite a tight schedule on his trip over here, Dr Boutros-Ghali apparently insisted on a flying visit to Highgrove. He went by helicopter from London, where he is staying at the Dorchester, to the Prince's country home, returning in time to be guest speaker at a black-tie dinner.

But Buckingham Palace says there is no chance of intervention by the blue berets in the war of words between the Prince and Princess. And the Palace refused to comment on suggestions that the Prince was looking for a diplomatic role in international affairs.

"As with all meetings with ministers and statesmen, we cannot say what was discussed. But it was a good opportunity for Dr Boutros-Ghali to meet the Prince of Wales," says a spokesman. "It's well known that the Prince sometimes sees important visitors from overseas." Boutros-Ghali's office said the visit was made in a private capacity. "Very much so. It was a private visit. We can't say anything about it."

● *The Earl of Mansfield, first Crown estate commissioner, paid the price for luxury yesterday. He was fined £100 for pranging a car in a car park and driving away. Mansfield explained he couldn't hear the crunch through the double-glazing of his Mercedes.*



Stone me

IT IS not only the Government that is reeling from the behaviour of Mohammed Al-Fayed and his Harrods company. Harrods has just ordered a jeweller to leave its premises after 20 years at the store.

David Morris's catalogue offers individual items priced at more than £500,000, and the reason for the company's enforced departure is unclear. After warnings earlier this year, the jeweller was given notice to move immediately. "We haven't left willingly, and the matter is in the hands of our lawyers," says a spokesman for David Morris, which is left with a redundant catalogue of its wares on display at the Knightsbridge store.

Which watch?

LAST WEEK'S decision to step down from his post was not the first precipitous resignation by Tim Smith, the former Minister for Northern Ireland. Back in September 1989 he stepped down quickly from his position as group secretary of the British-Iraqi Parliamentary Group, after Saddam Hussein's relations with Britain deteriorated.

Smith had visited Baghdad in the mid-1980s, and everyone in his party was offered a tasteful present of a watch with Saddam's portrait on its face. This of course brings to mind an unfortunate incident involving Michael Mates, another former Northern Ireland Minister, who lost his job over a watch inscribed "Don't let the buggers get you down.".

To fortune

THE LUCK of the Irish has petered out for the Royal Shakespeare Company's production of Brendan Behan's *The Hostage*. The ceasefire appears to have killed off Michael Bogdanov's tale of Ireland and the IRA in the late 1950s. The play is to close after poor bookings and just 20 performances at the Barbican in London, even though actors were expecting the show to go on.

"It's a pity," says one company member. "We had fairly good reviews, and a lot of money was spent on the production." An RSC spokeswoman is sanguine. "Sometimes this happens with bookings. Maybe people have had too much of Ireland and the IRA."

Now on vid

SUGGESTIONS that the Princess of Wales might move to the other side of the Atlantic may not be too wide of the mark. During her brief sojourn in America there were reports that she wiled away time in the Carlyle Hotel in New York watching videos of flats for sale (a marketing technique employed by American "realtors").

Many of the videos were about apartments in Trump Tower — an opulent skyscraper built by the eponymous vulgar tycoon — where Michael Jackson, Elton John and a brace of sultans from the East regularly occupy flats. "It's not as mad as it sounds," says one of the Manhattan cocktail set. "The security is phenomenal and Diana would be treated as yet another rich blond in dark glasses. No one would notice."



Cutting up rough: John Cleese, knife in hand, in *Frankenstein*

Snakes bitten

A STARK warning from John Cleese to fellow members of the Monty Python team: don't act with Robert de Niro. Cleese appears with him in Kenneth Branagh's *Frankenstein*, which opens next month. He is a long-haired professor who comes to a sticky end.

"I have a small part as a professor of anatomy who dabbles in the occult. And I get bumped off very early on by the de Niro character," he says. "I am the second Python he has killed on screen. Michael Palin went first in *Brazil*. He's a dangerous man."

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JOUSTERS FOR JUSTICE

The war over welfare is still at the skirmishing stage

It may seem paradoxical that the richer a country becomes, the more it has to spend on social security. As national income grows, one might expect fewer people to be poor and more to be able to save for future incapacity. Yet in real terms, social security spending has increased by two-thirds in Britain since 1979, and by seven times since 1949, the first year in which the welfare state was fully functional. Governments of all hues in all developed countries are now grappling with social security demands that are threatening to swallow their budgets.

Some of the pressures are demographic: more older people are living longer, the number of one-parent families is increasing. Others are structural: unemployment is higher and lasts for longer. Imagination is needed to design systems of benefit that do not produce perverse outcomes, which deter rather than encourage dependency. But as Peter Lilley, the Social Security Secretary, stressed in his Mais Lecture last year, there are no easy answers. If there were, they would already have been tried.

It is in this context that yesterday's report from the Commission on Social Justice should be judged. It is not a grand vision, a "new Beveridge". It is rather a collection of small changes that recognise the difference between today's world and that of the 1940s. Some of its suggestions, such as a national minimum wage, deserve no Tory support. But others should appeal to any rational politician seeking to remove the disincentives that trap people in dependency.

It is sensible, for instance, to look at childcare and nursery education alongside unemployment. The Government has already done so in allowing many people to earn £40 a week towards childcare without their benefits being withdrawn. The CSJ goes further than many in the Labour Party by suggesting that even lone mothers, once their children are at school, should make themselves available for work. But the corollary is that they must be able to afford decent care for their children.

Working patterns have changed so much since the 1940s that a welfare state and tax system based on a husband in full-time work supporting a stay-at-home wife look old-fashioned. The CSJ's idea that the married couple's allowance should be phased out and the proceeds spent on helping families with children is sensible. Husbands should not be subsidised because a wife of working age chooses to stay at home even if she has no caring responsibilities.

The social security system also needs to be reformed to recognise the perverse incentives that deter women from working when their partners lose their jobs. At the moment, a woman is three times more likely to be in employment if her partner is working than if he is not. This is creating a divide between two-job families and no-job families. Mr Lilley's White Paper on the new Jobseeker's Allowance, published yesterday, goes a little towards resolving this, by allowing partners to work for up to 24 hours a week (rather than the current 16 hours) before an unemployed person's means-tested allowance is withdrawn.

Tony Blair was wise to keep a distance from the CSJ's more expensive implications. Mr Lilley and his colleagues can be guaranteed to press home their attacks both on Labour's vagueness over commitments and its preparedness to contract out policy formulation to a committee. But what both political parties now recognise is that governments can help the unemployed and lone parents to improve their employability. The White Paper's emphasis is on ensuring that they do not lose their motivation to seek jobs. The CSJ concentrates more on education, training, childcare and making benefits more flexible. Little can be done to reduce the burden of old people on the State; but people of working age can and should be put to more productive use.

AN ETHICAL COMMISSION

Questions beyond cash for questions

The more that has been said and written in the last week about the need for a commission on public service ethics, the less easy such an inquiry has been to envisage. The resignation of Tim Smith and pressure upon Neil Hamilton to follow suit have highlighted a general uneasiness about standards of morality in public life. Publishing the so-called "cash for questions" inquiry carried out by Sir Robin Butler may quell anxiety about this particular case; but many broader questions remain to be answered.

A general review of government ethics would pose many problems — not least the inevitable clash between statesmanlike principle and party political interest. Tony Blair has made integrity a mainstream political issue, contrasting his own party's probity with allegations of Tory "sleaze". Last week, the Labour leader called for three basic reforms to improve ethical standards in Government. In practice, however, his party's tactical interests are best served by Conservative inaction. Should such an inquiry be set up, moreover, each party would have its own private agenda. Tories would seek to fend off any suggestion that political parties become state-funded; Labour politicians would try to divert attention away from local government corruption and towards Tory MPs who have received payment for parliamentary questions.

Such obstacles are not, however, insurmountable. In Ireland, discussion of the Ethics in Public Office Bill in parliament and beyond has shown how useful an exercise of this kind can be. Where the restoration of public confidence in the political process is paramount, a Royal Commission would almost certainly take too long. The Prime Minister could simply ask a parliamentary select committee to make interim recommendations before Christmas. But this would court the charge that a broad matter of national interest was being treated as a matter of club politics. Something more than self-regulation is now required.

As a sensible compromise a special commission of inquiry should be given six months to report on the issues of public morality that are now causing most concern. As important as its remit would be its membership. For the commission's findings to be trusted and heeded in Parliament, a number of active parliamentarians would need to be included. These should be chosen by the commission's head in consultation with the main political parties. They should be selected for their experience, reputation and knowledge of parliamentary culture, rather than as glorified shop stewards.

For the commission to be trusted in the nation at large, it must also have members whose integrity is well-established or whose expertise would bring fresh perspective to these issues. An academic with detailed knowledge of the machinery of government — local and central — such as Vernon Bogdanor or Michael Pinto-Duschinsky would be an asset. So too would an experienced civil servant such as Lord Armstrong, who could shed light on the ethical position of ministers. A former minister of the stature of Lord Howe or Lord St John could explain without fear or favour what it is like on the other side of the ministerial desk. Either could chair such a commission; so too could a lawyer of the stature of Sir David Calcutt or Sir Patrick Neill. These names are only suggestions. But it is in such terms that the Prime Minister should already be thinking.

BLACK AND WHITE ISSUE

Pandas are not show business but forlorn hopes of the species

Ming Ming, the giant panda, was flown home to China yesterday after failing to become pregnant during a three-year posting to the London zoo. Her departure leaves Britain with no resident giant panda, and brings to an end panda breeding programmes in Europe. The two specimens of *Ailuropoda melanoleuca* in Madrid zoo and the one in Berlin zoo are all males. Efforts to save their dwindling population will now be concentrated in China and at zoos in Mexico City and Tokyo, which have pulled off the delicate trick of breeding cubs in captivity.

In spite of pandamania, this is intelligent modern treatment of the creatures. In the years since Britain received its first giant pandas in 1938, shipped in by a big game hunter, they have become zoological superstars, inspiring strip cartoons and attracting the biggest crowds to Regent's Park. Today the giant panda has been adopted as the symbol of the World Wildlife Fund for Nature, and represents all the many other species on the brink of extinction, few of them looking as sad or as cuddly as pandas.

There are fewer than 1,000 giant pandas left in the bamboo forests of central China and eastern Tibet, and their habitat is being destroyed by woodcutters and road-builders. The Chinese government has declared them a national treasure. If the handful kept in zoos are not breeding, they are wasting their valuable time in captivity. Apart from their rarity and sorrowful black eyes, pandas are not much suited to life as zoo celebrities. They sleep for 20 hours a day and spend the rest munching bamboo. The females are fertile for only a few days in March, resist male advances ferociously, and on the rare occasions that they manage to conceive through fecklessness, are dangerous mothers to their tiny cubs. Aside from rarity value, pandas in a cage are not quite as exciting as watching bamboo grow.

The London zoo has always had the twin aim of zoological science and popular entertainment. A generation ago, giant pandas and other exotic rarities provided the fun, while science aimed at the Victorian ideal of an encyclopaedic menagerie of the world's fauna. Game parks, tourism and brilliant wild-life films on television have made the exotic familiar. So the zoo, after near bankruptcy and a nasty skirmish with some of its own sclerotic bureaucrats, has found itself a useful and profitable new role.

As an ark for endangered species, it is breeding Sumatran tigers, Asiatic lions and other creatures almost as glamorous as giant pandas — as well as other threatened species that are creepy rather than glamorous. For entertainment and education, the zoo is introducing children to the grace of animals: with growing skill and professionalism, it is letting them see, touch and learn about other species. As for Ming Ming, we wish her bon voyage home, and as soon as possible the shuffle of tiny furry feet.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Major's power to banish 'sleaze'

From Mr Eric Chalker

Sir, The ramifications of last week's "cash for questions" allegations are not confined to Parliament, nor to its standing with the public.

The Prime Minister has said that he is "determined to see the highest possible standards in public life and that they are maintained" (report, October 21). Yet it is John Major himself who presides over and, at the very least by his inaction, continues to sanction arrangements for the governance of his own party which are directly inimical to the establishment, let alone the maintenance of the standards to which he aspires.

In May 1993 I commented on some aspects of these arrangements in my evidence to the Home Affairs Select Committee when it examined the funding of political parties. Even had the committee given proper consideration to these matters and not simply divided on party lines, this would not have exposed the full extent to which the governing party actually *encourages* MPs (and party officials) to behave as though they were a law unto themselves.

As an elected member of the Conservative Party's board of finance from 1989 to 1993, I was obliged to accept the imposition of three appointed chairmen during that time. Because they were appointed, neither I nor any of my elected colleagues were able to call them or anyone else to account for any matter concerning the finances of Conservative Central Office. During that time, cash flow was £67 million.

In private correspondence with the Prime Minister in May 1992, and before that with his predecessor, I and some of my colleagues endeavoured to persuade them that historic practice was no longer appropriate and that *appointed* officers accountable only to them should yield to *elected* officers accountable to the party membership. John Major, as did his predecessor, insisted upon his "prerogative" (Margaret Thatcher's word for it in a letter to me), the appointments continued and in July 1992 Tim Smith, MP, followed Lord Beaverbrook as chairman of the board.

As long as the Prime Minister retains to himself sole right to appoint those who control his party's central coffers, accompanied by the sole right to appoint "party officers" under whose aegis Central Office is both able to influence nominations for quangos and politicial honours and control the party's approved list of candidates, we have a situation which engenders bad behaviour and cries out for reform.

It is essential that the Conservative Party rids itself of the continuing accusations of sleaze well before the next election. This is a problem for the whole party, but only the Prime Minister can initiate the necessary reforms. Party behaviour is the foundation of Government behaviour and party reforms will be the true test of Mr Major's commitment to higher standards in public life.

Yours faithfully,
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PM's questions

From Lord Campbell of Croy

Sir, As someone who regularly tabled questions to the Prime Minister from 1964 to 1970 when I was on the Opposition benches, I regret, with others (letters, October 19, 21), the disappearance of the subjects except those relating to a day's engagements. In that era, if a subject was deemed important enough, the question was retained by the Prime Minister and not passed to the minister concerned.

The transition to today's routine was caused by the practice of transferring more and more questions to departmental ministers until it became very unlikely that a question would "stick" with No 10. The only certain way of obtaining a reply from the Prime Minister was to ask about diary appointments. This routine, however, cannot make a prime minister's role any easier, as it must be left to guesses what subjects will be raised in supplementary questions.

In an earlier incarnation, when I was seconded from the Foreign Office to work for the Prime Minister (Churchill), I prepared his "notes for supplementaries". I sympathise with my successors. In those days the particular subject raised received a reasonable airing and irrelevant matters were not expected to receive a substantive reply. The time was not spent on elementary party-political point-scoring.

Yours faithfully,
CAMPBELL of CROY,
House of Lords.
October 24.

Relative values

From Mr David Mann

Sir, In "On This Day" (October 21) you helpfully explain that the 4d paid by an Army officer for a bottle of wine in Cyprus in 1882 is now "less than 1½p".

When will newspapers stop converting currency values in this way as if inflation had never occurred? In 1882 £1 had a value equal to about £50 today. The officer's wine therefore cost him nearer 83p (200d) than 1½p. Still cheap!

Yours faithfully,
DAVID MANN,
Ashdown,
Four Acres, Cobham, Surrey.

Wisdom, wealth, virtue and altruism

From Mr Ian Flintoff

Sir, Nigel Hawkes's contention ("Racism versus science", October 19) that "the more intelligent people are, roughly, the richer they are" must throw doubt on his other generalisations about intelligence, race, and social status.

While Plato or Socrates would have equated wisdom with virtue, Nigel Hawkes seems to equate wisdom (or intelligence) with the kind of contemporary greed and ability to manipulate systems which are possibly at the root of Britain's decline as an imaginative, pioneering nation. We underfund Nobel Prize-winners (an ever decreasing number) and look to South Korea to bail us out for the incompetence of our Government strategists and businessmen.

The intelligent of Britain are now part of the new poor. They are living in metaphorical cardboard boxes in our universities, research institutions, laboratories, arts centres. Creative individuality — whether in arts, sciences or that more nebulous area that is the genesis of new enlightening thought (recognised, once, in Newton, Thomas Paine, Darwin and Shelley) — is certainly going to make no one rich in modern Britain.

Because intelligence is circumspect, investigative, and outward, at its best it is also altruistic. We have clearly seen in recent years that the new rich of Britain, far from being intelligent in this sense, are inward, grasping, myopic and (dare one say it?) crassly stupid for the disgraceful example they set to the less fortunate.

Yours sincerely,
IAN FLINTOFF,
22 Chaldon Road, SW6.
October 19.

From Mr Stan Gooch

Sir, Herrnstein and Murray's excellent book, *The Bell Curve* [Mind and Matter, October 24], confirms what is already well established concerning the genetic basis of intelligence.

The intelligence of identical twins reared *apart* correlates .77 (a perfect correlation would be the figure 1.00). The intelligence of non-identical twins reared together in the same home, who have of course also shared the same intra-uterine environment of the womb, correlates only .63.

The correlation for identical twins reared together is .88. Ordinary brothers and sisters reared together correlate .53. And finally, the correlation between a foster child's IQ and that of its biological parents *always* remains higher, no matter what the social environment concerned, than the correlation between that foster child and its adoptive parents.

These matters are beyond argument, but are only the tip of the iceberg. A further fact is that a large majority of American psychologists who believe that intelligence is determined by environment vote Democrat while a large majority of those who ascribe to the genetic basis of intelligence vote Republican.

These data among a mass of other material show that the tendency to vote left or right politically is also genetically determined. So we have then the supreme irony of all: the belief that intelligence is *not* genetically determined is *itself* genetically determined!

Yours faithfully,
STAN GOOCH,
11 Glenloch Court,
Glenloch Road,
Hampstead, NW3.
October 19.

Evidence of child abuse

From Professor Emeritus John A. Davis and Professor Emeritus Thomas Stapleton

Sir, We wish to express publicly our increasing concern about the means by which signs of the so-called Münchausen-by-proxy syndrome — i.e., the creation of hitherto non-existent symptoms in others in order to draw attention to oneself — are beginning to be accepted by certain courts as confirming child abuse.

All too often this evidence is presented in the form of video recordings, made without the knowledge or consent of the woman suspected of mistreating her child, of interviews between the child and social workers or police officers. Yet it is on the strength of such recordings that children can be taken into care and may thus be involved in greater risk of abuse and emotional trauma than if they were left even in a far from perfect home.

It seems to us that the Münchausen-by-proxy syndrome is one of a number of diagnostic categories, remote from the particular facts, which have become an excuse for what sometimes amounts to "witch-hunting" by social workers in collusion with paediatricians. We are not suggesting that such conditions do not exist, or that they are not a threat to the well-being of some children. We are, however, concerned by the courts' acceptance of interpretations of filmed episodes made by paediatricians whose authority may be based on their professional expertise rather than science and who are not always themselves involved in the case at issue.

We do not regard it as the role of doctors — or of social workers — to act as detectives or informers. Instead, while obeying the law, they should try to help parents in difficulties — parents whose need for help may not be straightforwardly expressed but is what brings them to the clinic.

We believe that the procedures whereby accusations of any kind of abuse are scrutinised need to be examined and revised.

We would advocate the buttressing of case conferences by a pre-court hearing conducted by an examining magistrate, inquisitorially and in camera. The magistrate should be empowered to summon witnesses under oath, including parents and, when appropriate, the children concerned.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN DAVIS,
THOMAS STAPLETON,
1 Cambridge Road,
Great Shelford, Cambridge.
October 21.

Healing by honey

From Dr A. C. Richardson

Sir, Dr Trisha Greenhalgh ("How a scratch becomes a leg ulcer", Body and Mind, October 18) comments on the substantial expense to the NHS of leg ulcers but fails to mention the cheapest treatment of all, namely, with honey or, better, with sugar.

The use of honey as an antibacterial and antifungal agent for the treatment of battlefield wounds dates back to 2600 BC in ancient Egypt. More recently the use of a sugar paste made from either icing sugar or caster sugar, or a mixture of both, has been advocated for the treatment of post-operative wounds and for the treatment of chronically infected ulcers. In some cases also included in the sugar paste are bactericidal agents such as povidone-iodine or hydrogen peroxide, although these are not essential.

There is a sound scientific rationale for the healing powers of sugar. Although bacteria will rapidly grow on dilute solutions of sugar, concentrated solutions (e.g., jams, honey etc) rarely have bacteria growing on them. Analogously, if a high concentration of sugar is maintained on the wound or ulcer, then bacteria cannot grow due to the high osmotic pressure. Since the wound or ulcer rapidly becomes sterile, the healing process can take place.

By making thick water icing and applying liberally and regularly to the ulcer and holding it in place with a dressing, sufferers of ulcers can very easily treat themselves without involving their GP or the district nurse. Diabetics should consult their GP.

A complete bibliography of the use of sugar for this purpose entitled "Sugar in therapy" is available from the World Sugar Research Organisation, Philip Lyle Building, Whiteknights, Reading, Berkshire.

Yours faithfully,
A. C. RICHARDSON,
2 Norman Avenue,
Henley on Thames, Oxfordshire.
October 19.

The Thames Path

From Mr Ian Allan

Sir, I cannot agree with Richard Morrison ("The best walk in Britain", Weekend, October 15) that the worst part of the Thames Path is at Kingston. The towpath is continuous there, apart from using Kingston Bridge to change banks. The worst part of the whole walk is the 1-mile missing link at Windsor, where a 2½-mile diversion is needed to detour on roads away from the river.

On completion of the walk last month I wrote to the Countryside Commission complaining that the Crown Estate was refusing to restore access, unlike other landowners along the river. The Commission gave me the same excuse mentioned by Richard Morrison: namely, security. I cannot believe this. Is the answer a mass trespass such as was forced on ramblers at Kinder Scout?

Yours faithfully,
IAN ALLAN,
20 Thames Meadow,
Shepperton, Middlesex.
October 15.

Private lotteries

From Mr David Harris

Sir, Simon Jenkins's article ("Tear up the Tory Clause 4", October 12) implies that the Tories, by setting up a nationalised lottery, have banned all private lotteries except raffles and tombolas.

This could not be more misleading. In fact, the Government has passed legislation easing many of the restrictions on private lotteries contained in the Lotteries and Amusements Act, 1976. It has thus allowed them greater freedom to flourish.

Any society registered with the Gaming Board may run lotteries to a total value each year of up to £5 million, each of which may include five top prizes of £100,000.

Yours faithfully,
D. HARRIS
(Lottery Adviser),
UK Charity Lotteries Ltd,
Buttermere House,
Western Avenue, W3.
October 18.

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Letters should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be faxed to 071-782 5046.

Own goal for BBC news flagship

From Lord Boyd-Carpenter

Sir, I wonder whether *The Times*, as leader of the news-reporting newspapers, could bring its influence to bear on the BBC's handling of its most important news organ, the *Nine O'Clock News*.

Last Tuesday, when I turned on my television set with a view to seeing what the latest news was at 9pm, I found that the news had been deferred for the best part of an hour to permit the broadcasting of a number of football matches.

I am sure that these matches were a matter of intense interest to quite a number of people. But it is annoying when news is particularly important to find that one cannot hear it at the normal time. In other words let us ask the BBC to make the *Nine O'Clock News* the 9 o'clock news.

I am your obedient servant,
BOYD-CARPENTER,
House of Lords.
October 19.

A name for Heathrow

From Mr Alan Smith

Sir, Professor Rupert Hall and Dr Norman Smith (letter, October 20) are both respected historians. If they wished to remind the world of a man "for ever associated with man's pursuit of mechanical power" through "his achievements in mastering energy for human use", they need not name England's main airport after a Scotsman.

James Watt (1736-1819) never claimed to have invented steam power. The credit for that should go, as they must surely know, to "the father of the steam engine": Thomas Newcomen, of Dartmouth (1664-1729).

Yours faithfully,
ALAN SMITH
(Executive Secretary, 1988-1992,
The Newcomen Society for the Study of the History of Engineering and Technology),
The Science Museum, SW7 2DD.
October 21.

From Mr Norman Jenkins

Sir, Your distinguished correspondents have certainly proposed an excellent solution to substituting acknowledgment of genius for mundane location.

But James Watt? Although his work brought steam into a new era of engineering efficiency and British supremacy, his achievement, despite its impact, was contemporaneous development, not innovation.

A greater claim could be made for Sir Humphry Davy (1778-1829). An innovator in several fields, it was Davy who first demonstrated the electric arc and thereby began an insatiable demand for electricity that only now sees a surplus of production.

Michael Faraday (1797-1867), Davy's assistant, contributed the basis of generation and motive power, but not until 1831 — a claim for fame that Gatwick could perpetuate?

Yours very truly,
NORMAN JENKINS,
Whitehall, Ewshot, Farnham, Surrey.
October 21.

From Mr John A. Harries-Harris

Sir, Surely the only possible name must be "Guy Fawkes Airport". After all, had the great conspirator succeeded, the whole of Britain's ruling class would have taken to the air. Watt could never have achieved such a triumph.

The political jiggery-pokery of today surely indicates that Fawkes still represents the spirit of the age.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN A. HARRIES-HARRIS,
47 Berkeley Street,
Scunthorpe, South Humberside.
October 21.

From Mr David Garfield

Sir, One of the more pleasant sides of British life is that we do not indulge in Johnny Foreigner's curious habit of naming their airports and railway stations after so-called national heroes and dodgy past politicians.

Heathrow should remain Heathrow (for that is where it is).

Yours sincerely,
DAVID GARFIELD,
29 Orchard Avenue, Finchley, N3.
October 21.

From Mr W. B. C. Evans

Sir, London's airport is surely already named after an engineer who, even more strongly than Watt, embodies the historic core of all English construction and most certainly is the spirit behind the design of the airport itself. Heathrow is simply an abbreviation of the name of the great complex's creator, Heath Robinson.

Yours faithfully,
W. B. C. EVANS,
Rectory Farm, Top Street,
Elston, Nottinghamshire.
October 22.

From Mr Richard Worsley

Sir, Anyone whose luggage has gone astray when destined for Heathrow must be nervous at the suggestion that it should be renamed Watt Airport.

Yours faithfully,
RICHARD WORSLEY,
Model Farm,
Holkham Park,
Wells-next-the-Sea, Norfolk.
October 21.

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE
October 23: The Duke of Edinburgh, Founder and International Trustee, left Heathrow Airport, London, this afternoon to attend the Fifth International Award Forum of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award International Association in Mauritius.

Brigadier Miles Hunt-Davis is in attendance.

ST JAMES'S PALACE
October 24: The Prince of Wales this afternoon received Dr Boutros-Ghali (United Nations Secretary General) and Mrs Boutros-Ghali.

His Royal Highness this evening opened the exhibition "Treasures of Imperial Japan — Ceramics from the Khalili Collection" at the National Museum of Wales, Cathays Park, Cardiff, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for South Glamorgan (Captain Norman Lloyd-Edwards, RNR).

The Prince of Wales afterwards attended a Dinner with the Management Committee and Board of Directors of the European Investment Bank at the National Museum of Wales.

Mr Matthew Butler was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE,
ST JAMES'S PALACE
October 24: The Duchess of Kent this morning visited Headway House Day Centre, Pembury Hospital, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, and was met on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Kent (The Right Honourable Lord Kingsdown) and also visited the COMPAID Trust, Pembury Hospital, Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

Her Royal Highness, Patron, the YMCA Anniversary Year 1994, later opened the West Kent YMCA Sherwood Park Centre, Lakeside, Sherwood Park, Tunbridge Wells.

The Duchess of Kent this afternoon visited the Dame Sybil Thorndike Healthcare Centre, Longley Road, Rochester, and as Patron, the Friends of Rochester Cathedral, visited Rochester Cathedral, Rochester, Kent.

The Duchess of Kent, Patron, the International Social Service (UK), this evening attended a 70th Anniversary Dinner, London Hilton, Park Lane, London W1.

Mrs Julian Tomkins was in attendance.

Today's royal engagements

The Queen will open the new Chamber of British Shipping at Carthusian Court, 12 Carthusian Street, EC1, at 3.00.

The Duke of Kent, as President of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, will attend a lifeboat naming ceremony at Ramsgate Royal Harbour at 12.25; and will visit the Channel Eurotunnel Road Freight Customs and Truckstop, Cheriton, Kent, at 2.40.

The Duchess of Kent, as Patron of the National Federation of Music Societies, will present the Performing Right Society Enterprise awards at Berners Street, W1, at 12.30.

Meeting

Royal Over-Seas League
Mr Enoch Powell was the guest speaker at a meeting of the Discussion Circle of the Royal Over-Seas League held last night at Over-Seas House, St James's. Mrs Elizabeth Cresswell presided.

Basketmakers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Basketmakers' Company for the ensuing year:
Prime Warden, Mr Anthony Meeson; Junior Warden, Mr Derek Lewis Kemp.

Birthdays today

Sir Robert Andrew, civil servant, 66; Lieutenant-General Sir Henry Beverley, 59; Lord Brimelow, 79; Mr Martin Gilbert, historian, 58; Mr Steve Hodge, footballer, 32; Mr Michael Lawrence, chief executive, the Stock Exchange, 51; Mr Peter McHugh, director of programmes, GMTV, 48; Mr D.C. Mansel Lewis, Lord Lieutenant of Dyfed, 67; Sir John Mayhew-Sanders, company chairman, 63; Mr Joe Mercer, racing manager, 60; Sir George Russell, chairman, ITC, 59; Mr A.C. Smith, chief executive, TCCB, 58; Mr Keith Taylor, chairman, Esso UK, 56; Miss Galina Vishnevskaya, soprano, 68; Dame Gillian Wagner, chairman, court of governors, Thomas Coram Foundation for Children, 67; Miss Judith Weleminsky, former director, National Council for Voluntary Organizations, 44; Professor D.J. Wiseman, Professor of Assyriology, 76.

Service dinner

Inns of Court and City Yeomanry
The Lord Mayor was the guest of honour at a dinner given by the Officers of the Inns of Court and City Yeomanry last night at Stone Buildings, Lincolns Inn. He was received by Colonel G.D. Thompson and by Major J. Fern, who also presided. Colonel Sir Ralph Carr-Ellison and Sir Christopher Slade were among the guests.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS:
Thomas Babington Macaulay, 1st Baron Macaulay, historian and politician, Rothley Temple, Leicestershire, 1800; Richard Bonington, painter, Arnold, Nottinghamshire, 1801; Johann Strauss the Younger, composer of The Blue Danube, Vienna, 1825; Georges Bizet, composer, Paris, 1838; Pablo Picasso, painter, Malaga, Spain, 1881; Richard Byrd, pioneer aviator, and polar explorer, Winchester, Virginia, 1888; Abel Gance, film director, Paris, 1889; Levi Eshkol, Prime Minister of Israel 1963-69, Oratovo, Ukraine, 1895.

DEATHS:
Stephen, King of England, reigned 1135-54, Dover, 1154; Geoffrey Chaucer, poet, London, 1400; Evangelista Torricelli, physicist, designer of the barometer, Florence, 1647; King George II, reigned 1727-60, London, 1760; Sir Charles Hallé, pianist and conductor, Manchester, 1895; Frank Norris, novelist, San Francisco, 1902; Frederick William Rolfe, self-styled Baron Corvo, novelist, Venice, 1913; Edward John Plunkett, 18th Baron of Dunsany, writer, Dublin, 1957; Mary McCarthy, novelist, New York, 1989.

The English army defeated the French at Agincourt, 1415.

The Charge of the Light Brigade took place at Balaclava, 1854.

The Queen officially opened the National Theatre complex on London's South Bank, 1976.



ALAN WELLER

Janet Backhouse, right, curator of illuminated manuscripts at the British Library, holds a copy of Livy's Roman History, produced about 1470 in Florence, while Shelley Jones, left, and Jacqui Hunt, of the library's staff, examine other works. They are among 95 books and manuscripts, some very rarely seen in public, which go on show at the Royal Academy, Piccadilly, London, in "The Painted Page: Italian Renaissance Book Illumination 1450-1550", from Thursday

Memorial service

Dame Margaret Miles
A service to celebrate the life and work of Dame Margaret Miles was held yesterday at St James's, Piccadilly. The Rev Donald Reeves officiated. Miss Margaret Quass with Lord Ennals, Vice-Presidents of the Council for Education in World Citizenship, and Mrs L. McLean, niece, read the lessons. Mrs Myriel Davies, Deputy Director of the United Nations Association, gave an address. Lord Judd, also a Vice-President of the Council for Education in World Citizenship, Miss Pauline Moulna, president of the Mayfield Association, and Mrs Valerie Kilburn and Miss Gladys Sweetland paid tribute.

Mrs Alessandra Wilson, Headteacher of the Rectory School, Hampton, Middlesex, introduced the music played by Miss Susan Millan, flute, accompanied by members of the school orchestra.

Dinners

Diplomatic and Commonwealth Writers Association of Britain
Mr Boutros Boutros-Ghali, Secretary-General of the United Nations, and Mr Bob Phillis, Deputy Director General of the BBC, were the guests of honour at the annual dinner of the Diplomatic and Commonwealth Writers Association of Britain held last night at Marlborough House. Miss Hella Pick, president, was in the chair. The guests included ambassadors, high commissioners and other members of the Diplomatic Corps.

Institute of Trade Mark Agents
Lord Archer of Weston-super-Mare was the guest of honour and speaker at a dinner of the Institute of Trade Mark Agents held last night at Guildhall to mark the institute's diamond jubilee. Mr John Groom, president, was in the chair.

Farmers' Company
Mr M.C. Forman, Master of the Farmers' Company, presided at a ladies court dinner held last night at Farmers' and Fletchers' Hall. Lord Kingsdown, KG, was the guest speaker. Lady Kingsdown and the Master of the Fletchers' Company and Mrs Mackenzie were among the guests.

Church news

Appointments
The Rev Andrew Godsall, Curate, All Saints, Ealing Common: to be Vicar, All Saints, Hillingdon (London).

The Rev John Gooding, Team Vicar, Liskeard, St Keyne, St Pinnock, Morval and Bradoc (Truro): to be Church Pastoral Aid Society Regional Consultant for London and the South East.

The Rev Nicholas Hay, Assistant Curate, Hellesdon Norwich (Norwich): to be Rector, Widford (Chelmsford).

The Rev Phillip Jones, Team Vicar, Redditch, Ridge Team Ministry: to be Team Vicar, and Industrial Chaplain in the Worcester South East Team Ministry (Worcester).

The Rev Colin Kassell, Rector, Rogate w Terwick and Trotton w Chithurst (Chichester): now Hospital Chaplain, Worthing, and Assistant Priest, Heene, same diocese.

The Rev Timothy King, Vicar, St Mary the Virgin, Send: to be Rector, St John, Farncombe (Guildford).

The Rev Michael Lewis, Rector, Merro, Guildford: now also Rural Dean of Guildford (Guildford).

The Rev Antonia Lynn, Chaplain to Horton Hospital: to be non-stipendiary Curate, St Mary, Ewell (Guildford).

The Rev Andrew Marke, Assistant Chaplain, Missions to Seamen, Dunkirk, France: to be Missions to Seamen Chaplain in Rouen, France (Europe).

The Rev Canon Christine McCafferty, Curate-in-charge, Highwood, in the parish of Writtle w Highwood: to be Team Rector, Wickford and Runwell Team Ministry (Chelmsford). She is to resign as Non-stipendiary Ministry Officer in the diocese of Chelmsford as from October 28.

The Rev Michael Newman, Assistant Curate, St Oswald, Bidston: to be Assistant Curate, parish of St Mary, Cheadle, in charge of St Cuthbert's Church (Chester).

The Rev Richard Steele-Perkins, Team Vicar, Camelot Team Ministry, North Cadbury (Bath and Wells): to be Assistant Chaplain to the Royal Surrey Hospital (Guildford).

The Rev Lesley Perrins: now NSM, operating with the Haxby Team Ministry (York).

The Rev Michael Petitt, Rector, Blaby (Leicester): to be Vicar, Leagrave, St Luke (St Albans).

The Rev Brian Reeve, Vicar, All Saints, Hoole: to be Priest-in-charge, St Mary Alderley, and Warden of the Diocesan Society of Readers (Chester).

The Rev Paul Reynard, Vicar, Holdenhurst: to be Vicar, Pennington (Winchester).

The Rev Nigel Rooms, Curate, Chell Team Ministry: to be Vicar and Director of TEE (Theological Education by Extension). St Margaret, Mount Kilimanjaro, Tanzania.

The Rev Vernon Ross, Curate, St Johns, Fareham (Portsmouth): to be Priest-in-charge, Witheridge, Thelbridge, Creacombe, Meshaw, East and West Worlington (Exeter).

The Rev David Sherwood, Vicar, Hullbridge (Chelmsford): to be Vicar, St Mary the Virgin, Kenton (London).

The Rev Janet Stewart, Honorary Curate, Oulton Broad: to be also part-time Chaplain of Lowestoft Hospital (Norwich).

The Rev Richard Stranack, Vicar, Par: to be Vicar, Stratton and Launcells (Truro).

The Rev Mair Talbot, Curate, Great Yarmouth Team Ministry: to be part-time Senior Assistant Priest in the Raveningham Group (Norwich).

The Rev Jolyon Trickey, Assistant Curate, St Leonards, Chesham Bois (Oxford): to be Rector, St John the Baptist, Busbridge (Guildford).

The Rev Peter Walker, Warden of Rydal Hall and Priest-in-charge, Rydal (Carlisle): to be Vicar, Portbleven w Sithney (Truro).

The Rev David Wheeler, Curate, St John's, Blackpool (Blackburn): to be Rector, St John, Old Trafford (Manchester).

The Rev John B. Williams, Team Vicar, Fareham Holy Trinity (Portsmouth): to be Rector, West Wittering and Birdham w Itchenor (Chichester).

Luncheons

HM Government
The Hon Douglas Hogg, QC, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, held a luncheon yesterday at Lancaster House in honour of Mr Uktar Sultanov, the Deputy Prime Minister of Uzbekistan.

HM Government
Mr Alastair Goodlad, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was the host at a luncheon given by Her Majesty's Government yesterday at Lancaster House for ASEAN Heads of Mission.

Dorset Lieutenancy
The Vice-Lord Lieutenant and Deputy Lieutenants of Dorset entertained the Lord Lieutenant and Lady Digby at luncheon yesterday at The Tithe Barn, Hinton St Mary to mark Lord Digby's 70th birthday (July 24) and the tenth year of his appointment as Lord Lieutenant.

Lord Ezra
Lord Ezra, President of the Combustion Engineering Association, presided at a luncheon held yesterday at the House of Lords for members of the association. Mr Brian Riddleston of Celtic Energy, also spoke. Lord Donoughue and Lord Renwick were among the guests.

Gunmakers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Gunmakers' Company for the ensuing year:
Master, Mr R.N. Young; Upper Warden, Mr S. Carroll; Renter Warden, Mr R.W. Whittaker.

Appointments

Lord Nickson and Viscount Tonypandy, Deputy Presidents of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, have been appointed Life Governors.

Lord Trefgarne to be Chairman of the Engineering Training Authority (EnTra) from December 1. He succeeds Mr H. Astley Whittall who is retiring.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr A.J.A. Allen and Dr G.M. Tryphonopoulos
The engagement is announced between Adrian, son of Mr and Mrs Richard Allen, of Holland Park, London, and Georgia, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs John Tryphonopoulos, of Chorlton, Manchester.

Mr T.G. Graveney and Miss L. Brassey
The engagement is announced between Tim, son of Mr and Mrs Tom Graveney, of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, and Louise, second daughter of the Hon Thomas and Mrs Brassey, of Duncote, Northamptonshire.

Mr A.R. Porteous and Miss S.A. Atkins
The engagement is announced between Andrew, only son of Mr and Mrs A.R. Porteous, of Maidenhead, Berkshire, and Sandra, only daughter of Mr and Mrs E.J. Atkins, of Slough, Berkshire.

Marriage

The Thane of Cawdor and Lady Isabella Stanhope
The marriage took place on Friday, October 21, at St Nicholas's Church, Adare, Ireland, of the Thane of Cawdor, son of the late Earl Cawdor and of Cathuya Countess Cawdor, and Lady Isabella Stanhope, daughter of the Earl and Countess of Harrington.

Bar Council

Mr Peter Goldsmith, QC, has been elected Chairman of the General Council of the Bar, Mr David Penry-Davey, QC, Vice-Chairman, and Mr Michael Blair Treasurer.

European Engineers

The following United Kingdom engineers have been awarded the qualification European Engineer by the European Federation of National Engineering Associations (FEANI) entitling them to use the letters Eur Ing as a prefix to their names:
M Adams, G Adamson, R Aitken, Waheed Naeem Al-Rafai, D Anderson, M J Andrews, N Andrews, H Arber, A J Beck, M Bell, P D Bethel, W Black, I W Brearley, H Brennan, D P Brooks, A W Brown, R Buckley, J S Burnett-Gray, A J Butler, C D G Butler, D Butler, R Carpin, D L Chapman, Hok-Sing Chung, J Clement, M Cox, P Duff, G E Dunk, P R Dutton, G Edwards, D Epps, A Fenner, I Fisher, A Fleming, C Fleming, D Fox, C Frampton, Helen Fuller, Sui-Wah S Fung, K Gaynes, D Glandfield, D Gibson, Jaswant Singh Gill, G E Goode, L Grant, D Green, S G Gretton, D Haddow, R Hall, M Hawkins, H Haydock, P J Hayward, S Hunt-Jones, J Hubbard, B Holley, W Hollins, A Houghton, D Humphrey, G Hunt, M T Hunter, D Hyde, F Innes, H Ivet, R P Jackson, S Jackson, Helen James, M James, A Jenkins, G Jennings, P Jesty, R J Jones, T Kell, A G Kellett, M Kilner, B Lee, D Leal, J S Leary, Q Leiper, Chee Hung Leong, C Lonie, J R Lyon, F MacDonald, M Machin, R MacPherson, M Maddocks, K A Manser, A J Martin, M A Martin, M Mathews, C McBurney, P Melnikov, A I R Middleton, R Millard, D Monfaudis, R Moorhouse, S Morrissy, T J Mura, G B Mourney, S Munday, N Narasimhan, T E Netherton, D F Newcombe, S Chiu Hung Ng, J Nunn, G Owen, P M C O'Brien, M Parsons, H Pattison, R Pauline, R G Priestley, J Pitts, R Pollard, G Price, A Q Qureshi, A P Salisbury, G Sanwick, M J Richards, T Richards, A Ridsdale, H G Robertson, M Rogers, Margaret Ross, D Russ-Jones, S Shirley-Nicoll, G Scott, Agnes Segal, Jaspal Singh Sehmi, M Sell, R Simpson, K Small, P Smallbone, A Smith, J G S Smith, M Snape, R Snape, D J Snell, K Spathopoulos, S P Stocks, M G Storey, F Stone, Mahendra J Tailor, M J Theobald, A Thin, I Thomson, D Toman, Cho Fai Tsim, C Tully, F I C Tydeman, R Urry, P Veale, S Walford, J Weston, J Whaley, P Wigley, M Wildsmith, David Willis, Douglas Willis, N Wilton, P Woodfield, G Woodfine, T Wright, D Yerbury, C Young, H Zografos.

Latest wills

Mr John Van Geest, of Stamford, Lincolnshire, former chairman of Geest Industries, left estate valued at £3,369,583 net.

Sir William Allan Davis, of London EC2, former Senior Partner of Armitage and Norton, the accountants, and Lord Mayor of London 1985-86, left estate valued at £317,592 net.

Frances Amesley, Lady Donaldson of Kingsbridge, of London, SW11, the author Frances Donaldson, left estate valued at £9,110 net.

Mr Paul Philip Howell, of Burfield Hall, Wymondham, Norfolk, who was a distinguished colonial administrator in Africa and the Middle East and acquired a profound knowledge of the tribes of the southern Sudan, left estate valued at £454,537 net.
He left £1,000 to Wolfson College, Cambridge.

Dr Bernard Mosely Laurance, of Hanworth, Norfolk, consultant paediatrician, left estate valued at £141,953 net.

Major General Philip Blencowe Tillard, of Lewes, East Sussex, former Chief of Staff of the British Army of the Rhine, ADC to the Queen from 1970-73, and author of the Tillard Report, which dramatically changed the structure of the Sandhurst course in 1972, left estate valued at £571,612 net.
He left £500 to St Peters Church, Chailey Green.

Lady Elsie Sybil Janner, of London, SW1, widow of Lord Barnett Janner, former MP for North West Leicester, left estate valued at £726,523 net.
She left £15,000 to the Barnett Janner Charitable Trust, £2,000 to the Brady/Maccabi Club, Edgware, for books for the Janner Library, £1,500 to the Burial Society of the United Synagogue, for the upkeep of the graves of her late husband and herself, £1,000 to the Friends of FWT Charitable Trust, and £250 to the Brady Friendship Club, of Hanbury Street, London E1.

Mr Ralph John Attenborough, of Chislehurst, Kent, a director of the book publishers, Hodder and Stoughton, for nearly 40 years, and a great-grandson of the firm's founder, left estate valued at £1,408,220 net.
He left £500 and his shares in Camden Place Ltd to Chislehurst Golf Club, and £500 each to the Royal St George's Golf Club, Sandwich, and the Athenaeum Club.

Other estates include (net before tax):
Mr Charles Humphrey Beak, of Maiden Bradley, Wiltshire £1,603,226

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Mrs Dorothy Minnie Phipps, of London W8 £2,761,486

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BIRTHS

BATEMAN - On 18th October 1994, to Belinda (née Walker) and Edward, a daughter, Alice Louise.

BELL - To Johnny and Lilias, a daughter and to Charlie, a sister, Eleanor Caroline, born 9th October, in Palmerston North, New Zealand.

BOOTH - On 23rd October, to Lucy (née Quayle) and Patrick, a daughter, Alice Rose, a sister for Polly.

COLVILLE - On October 20th at St Paul's Hospital, Cheltenham, to Virginia and James, a daughter.

HARRISWORTH - On 20th October, to Claudia (née Clemence) and Jonathan, a son, Vere Richard Jonathan Harold.

HOWE - On October 22nd in High Wycombe, to Elizabeth (née Stone) and Frederick, a son, Thomas, a brother for Anna, Flora and Lucinda.

MATTHEWS - On 10th October, to Susan (née Grimmell) and Jeremy, a daughter, Harriet Louise.

NELSON - On 21st October 1994 at Cardiff Heath Hospital, to Wendy (née Elrick) and Richard, a daughter, Rachel.

REES - On October 16th, to Vivian (née Samson) and Timothy, a son, Alexander Paul Hywel, a brother for Christopher and Samuel.

SEYMOUR - On October 21st, to Sallie and Thomas, a son, William Russell Coolidge, a brother for Charlotte and Edward.

SUMMERAUER - On October 24th in Jersey, to Amanda (née Horne) and Reinhold, a daughter, Katherina, sister for Alexander.

van GRUTTEN - On October 19th, to Kate (née Buckingham) and Matthew, a daughter, Beatrice May, a sister for Alice and Hugh.

WAINWRIGHT - On October 20th 1994, to Karen (née Crawford) and Charles, a son, Edward Charles (Ned).

WELCH - On October 21st 1994, to Joanna (née Pixey) and Andrew, a daughter, Amy Helen May, a sister for Roseanna.

DEATHS

BOWSTEAD - On October 21st, at home in Harare, Zimbabwe, after an illness borne with indomitable courage, Sally Evadne Ann, daughter of the late Lt. Cdr. T.C. Bowstead, RN (retired) and of the late Mrs E.H. (Betty) Bowstead of Zimbabwe. Much loved and deeply mourned sister of Peter. Funeral Service at Christ Church, Borrowdale, Harare, Zimbabwe, on Wednesday 26th October at 10.30 am. A Memorial Service will be held in the UK at a place, date and time to be announced.

BOYD - At St Anne's Cottage, Lewside, Dundee, peacefully on 22nd October 1994 in her 90th year, Sister Mary St Peter of St Catherine's Convent, Lauriston Gardens, Edinburgh. Funeral Mass on Wednesday 26th October at 11 am in St Catharine's Convent Chapel and thereafter to Mount Vernon Cemetery. Sister Mary St Peter will be received to the Convent Chapel on Tuesday 25th October at 6.30 pm. R.I.P.

DICKINSON - Helen, sister of Marion, widow of Dickie, mother of Allan, Anne, Adrian and Mary, grandmother of Patricia, Crispin, Matthew, Angela, Laura, Olivia, Catherine, Frances, Clare and Joseph, on Friday 21st October at Sussex County Hospital, Brighton, peacefully, after a stroke. Requiem Mass at St Pancras Church, Lewes, on Friday 28th October at 1.30pm and afterwards at Greyfriars Court, Lewes. Flowers or donations to Cancer Relief c/o Cooper & Son, Funeral Service, 42 High Street, Lewes, tel: 476557 or Uckfield 763763.

DICK - On October 24th at Ashford Hospital, May (Kinsella), dearly loved cousin of Rosemary Paquetin, All enquiries to Lodge Bros., tel: (0784) 2622226.

DORRANCE - Eric, on 20th October 1994, died suddenly but, peacefully while on a bowling holiday at Hayling Island. Ex-headteacher of the Grange School, and Chairman of Aylesbury U3A. Funeral on 2nd November. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to the British Heart Foundation.

DUNCANSON - On October 19th at John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, Dr. W Eric Duncanson, OBE, aged 85. Devoted and loving husband of Olive, loving father of Peter, Patricia and May, and grandfather. Greatly loved by family and friends.

FRASER - On October 23rd, peacefully at home, Dr. Phyllis Mary aged 86 years, beloved wife of Arthur and mother of Elizabeth, Jean and the late Graham, grandmother and great-grandmother. Private cremation.

GIBSON - J.T.M. (Jack) OBE... on 23rd October, peacefully in Almer, India, aged 86. Formerly Principal of Mayo College, loving brother of Jill, uncle of Peter, Joan and Mary, and friend of many.

GORDON-SMITH - On 21st October peacefully at Longlands Nursing Home, Cassington, nr. Oxford, Valerie, dearly loved sister of Diana Paterson and Donald Gordon-Smith. Funeral St Andrew's Church, Linton Road, Oxford, at 12 noon followed by cremation on Monday 31st October. Family flowers only, donations if desired for St Andrew's Church c/o Reeves & Pain, 288 Abingdon Road, Oxford, OX1 4TE.

HARMAN - Suddenly at her house on 20th October, Deborah Mary, much loved daughter of Constance and Dick. Deeply missed by her brothers John and Stephen, her three nieces and her friend George Carleton. Funeral at Lewisham Crematorium, Verdant Lane, Catford SE6, on Friday 28th October at 2 pm. If desired, cut flowers to Chance & Sons, Funeral Directors, 8 Dartmouth Road, SE23 3XU or donations to Age Concern England, 1268 London Road, SW16 4ER.

HASZARD - John Stanland (Jim) on 19th October, in the B.V.I., aged 73. Dearly loved husband of Patricia (Penny) née Fakenham-Walsh.

HILARY - On October 21st, in the peace of Christ, David Henry Jephson C.B., aged 62, beloved husband of Phoebe, father of John, Miriam, Henry and Rachel, and brother of Sheila Low. Funeral at St Peter's, Eaton Square, London SW1, at 2pm on Friday October 28th. Family flowers only, please.

HURDLE - Thomas aged 79 years, Canon Emeritus of Ely, died suddenly and peacefully at home, on October 22nd 1994.

HUTCHINSON - Edward Moss, (first Director of the National Institute of Adult Continuing Education, 21st October 1994 aged 85 after a short final illness. Commemoration of life and achievements at Mortlake Crematorium 27th October at 1.30 pm. Family flowers only: donations if wished to Age Concern.

ILLINGWORTH - On October 22nd 1994, peacefully at home, Miles, much loved and loving husband for nearly 60 years of Betty. Father of Robin and Carol and much loved grandfather of Vanessa and Lucy. Private cremation. Service of Remembrance to be held at St Mary's Church, Wormleston, on Friday 4th November 1994 at 2.30 pm.

JEFFERSON - On 20th October 1994, Elizabeth Mary (née Holborow), widow of John Norman Jefferson, mother of Julian. Service at Poole Crematorium at 3 pm on Friday 28th October. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to St Luke's Hospice, Stamford Road, Turnchapel, Plymouth PL9 9XA.

LEWTHWAITE - Margaret Sylvia (Sheila), peacefully on October 22nd, much loved daughter of Rainald Lewthwaite and sister of David. Family funeral service. Donations, if desired, to St Mary's Hospice, PO Box 6, Ulverston, LA12 9EJ.

LIEBSTER - On Friday October 21st, suddenly and peacefully in the garden at Denia-Las Rotas, Spain, Harry H. Liebster, the much loved husband of Jane, devoted father of Mark and Yvonne and treasured friend to so many. The cremation has already taken place in Alicante.

MARSDEN - Kenneth Ernest, fell asleep on Friday 21st October at The Royal Marsden Hospital. Now at peace and re-united with his beloved Joan. Will be sadly missed by his Aussie family Sheila, Alan, Adrian, Jeffrey, Crissy and Penny. Service at Randalls Park Crematorium, Leatherhead, on Friday 28th October at 4pm. Flowers and enquiries to L. Hawkins & Sons. (0372) 373435.

MCLAUCHLAN - On October 21st, Juliet McLauchlan, esteemed teacher, founder and chairman of the Joseph Conrad Society. Funeral Service at Chilterns' Crematorium, Amersham, on Thursday 27th October at 1.30 pm. Flowers and donations to K.Y. Green, Funeral Directors, Aylesbury, Bucks. Donations will be forwarded to the Joseph Conrad Society (UK).

PAGE - On October 24th 1994, Thomas Frederick Philip Urquhart Page, Commander R.N., aged 76 years, of Toller Porcorum, Dorset. Adored husband of Cecilia and beloved father and grandfather. Funeral Service on Friday 28th October, 2 pm, at St Mary's, Bestminster, followed by burial at Toller Porcorum. Family flowers only, donations if desired to Dorset Care Trust c/o A.J. Walsh & Son, 91 East Street, Bridport.

RADFORD - On 22nd October, peacefully in hospital in France, after a brave fight against cancer, Roger, aged 65, youngest son of the late Vaughan and Beatrice Radford and much loved brother of Patrick, John and Mary. Funeral arrangements to be announced.

RICHARDSON - On 24th October, peacefully at Mayda, Kenya, Sylvia (Tibby), in her 86th year. Beloved wife of the late Col. Derek Richardson, 10th Royal Hussars.

SHARP - Kate, On 20th October 1994, (née Kathleen Rose Owen) DOB 17th Nov 1913 - widow of Jack. Peacefully after a stroke at Bovey Tracey Hospital. Simple funeral at St Peter's Chapel, Exeter Crematorium at 4 pm on Friday 28th October. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired to Chest Heart & Stroke Association. Enquiries to 0626 776186 (Dr Richard Sharp).

SHEPHERD - On October 23rd 1994, peacefully, at Northolme, Dartmouth, Group Captain John, R.A.F. (Retd.). Beloved Johnny to all his family and friends. Memorial Service at St George's Church, Dittisham, on Friday October 28th at 2pm. No flowers please but donations, if desired, to The R.A.F. Benevolent Fund c/o Perring Funeral Services, 64 Southford Road, Dartmouth, Devon TQ6 9QT.

TASKER - John, on 21st October peacefully at Woodleigh Nursing Home, Croydon, aged 100 years. Donations, if desired, to Friends of Lewisham Hospital c/o A & J Morries & Sons Ltd., 343 Lower Addiscombe Road, Croydon, CR0 6RG.

TURNER - On October 21st 1994, peacefully after a short illness, Lt. Colonel William Aspinall, aged 90 years, of Chesilbourne, Dorset. Beloved husband of Joan, father of Caroline and Melvin and grandfather of James, Sophie, Henry, William, Charles and Nicholas. Funeral Service 11am Thursday 27th October at St Martin's, Chesilbourne. No bought flowers please. Enquiries and donations in his memory if desired, to St Martin's Church c/o Grassby Funeral Service, 16 Princes Street, Dorchester, Dorset.

TYSOE - On 22nd October, unexpectedly, Stephen, most beloved husband and best friend of Pam, very much loved father of Jane, Mike, Dick and Nick and very much loved grandfather of all his grandchildren. Burial service at The Church of St Margaret, Margaret Marsh, nr. Marshall, Friday 28th October at 2.30 pm. Family flowers only. Donations to Guide Dogs for the Blind Association - cheques made payable to GDBA, Hillfields, Burghfield, Reading. All enquiries to Bracher Brothers, (0747) 822494/ (0258) 820100.

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DESART - Noah aged 19, died 28.10.93 near Shell Flow Station Number 5, Korokoro, Ogoni, Rivers State, Nigeria. His sacrifice is not forgotten.

THANKSGIVING SERVICES

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NIELD - A Service of Thanksgiving for the lives of Sir William Nield QCMG KCB and Lady Nield will be held in the Crypt Chapel, St Paul's Cathedral, on Tuesday 8th November 1994 at 12 noon.

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OBITUARIES

SERGEI BONDARCHUK

Sergei Bondarchuk, Soviet actor and film director, died on October 20 aged 74. He was born in Belozersk, Ukraine, on September 25, 1920.

TWENTY-FIVE years ago Sergei Bondarchuk's reputation rode as high in the West as it did in the Soviet Union. His film of Tolstoy's *War and Peace*, originally seven hours long and only his second film as a director, had swept the world in the late 1960s.

Even when cut with an axe by Western distributors and dubbed with American voices, the film still impressed with the swirl of its battles, duels and ballroom scenes, and its valiant attempt to match Tolstoy's balance between the march of history and individual lives. In 1968 the film won the Best Foreign Language Film Oscar.

With *Waterloo*, released in 1970, some doubts were raised about the depth of the characterisations. Rod Steiger's Method-style Napoleon and Christopher Plummer's ice-cool Wellington offered no more than brilliant sketches; but the film still reinforced Bondarchuk's reputation as a supreme contriver of spectacle (he had 18,000 Red Army soldiers at his command), and the Soviet Union's only contemporary director of international standing.

In the following decades, film fashions and Soviet politics changed enormously. Bondarchuk, however, did not, and none of his succeeding films travelled widely abroad. To the end he preferred the big literary subject: his last venture, shot in the early 1990s, was a lavish version of Sholokhov's novel *And Quiet Flows the Don*, conceived as both a three-hour film and a ten-part television series.

He remained equally conservative in politics and, as a leading member of the Soviet establishment, proved an obstructive thorn in the flesh of many adventurous film-makers, including Andrei Tarkovsky. The liberal forces got their revenge in 1986 when Bondarchuk was ousted from the Soviet Film-makers Union along with two thirds of the leadership during a secret ballot. Even as sophisticated a film-maker as Nikita Mikhalkov was removed after he stood up in Bondarchuk's defence. "We cannot deny that Bondarchuck is an artist," he told the union secretariat.

Sergei Fyodorovich Bondarchuk came late to film directing. He first found fame as an actor; in 1952, he became the youngest actor ever to be elected People's Artist of the Soviet Union. He had been acting since boyhood in amateur or semi-professional groups. The Second World War interrupted his training at the Rostov Drama School, but he gained further experience entertaining front-line troops with Red Army ensembles.



Sergei Bondarchuk, centre, among the cast of *War and Peace*

Then he picked up the reins in 1946 at the Moscow Film Institute, where his teachers included V. I. Pudovkin and Sergei Gerasimov.

Two years later Bondarchuk took the role of the old Communist Party underground worker Valko in Gerasimov's film *The Young Guard*, designed as a showcase for his senior acting class. He made an immediate impression, and earned further praise for the heroic title role in *Taras Shevchenko* (1951), the last film directed by another of his teachers, Igor Savchenko.

Western audiences, though, first took serious note of him as a proud, noble Othello in Sergei Yutkevich's visually striking film of 1955. In the part of Desdemona, Yutkevich cast a new actress trained at the Moscow Art Theatre, Irena Skobtseva; she later became Bondarchuk's wife, and appeared in many of his own films.

Although his own war experiences were gruelling, Bondarchuk continually returned to the battlefields and camp grounds of history for material: His first film as director, *Destiny of a Man*, adapted from a Sholokhov story in 1959, surveyed the fate of an ordinary Russian soldier struggling to survive in a PoW camp; Bondarchuk himself took the main role and won wide praise for the film's freshness and poignancy. In 1975 he returned to the Second World War for *They Fought for their Country*, based on Sholokhov's novel, and burdened with all the pomp expected from the official Soviet film commemoration of the 30th anniversary of the German defeat.

But it was the swathe of history depicted in *War and Peace* that Bondarchuk made his own. No effort was spared to make Mosfilm's production the most lavish ever attempted in Russia. To recreate the battles of Borodino and Austerlitz, some ten thousand extras filled the screen with huge cannon, the thick smoke of gunfire and horses galore. Scenes of Moscow's destruction and Napoleon's painful retreat through icy wastes were also staged with flair.

It would be easy for actors to be swamped by the spectacle. But Bondarchuk's team, helped by a clear-sighted if academic script, held their own; and Bondarchuk himself made an impression as the reluctant soldier and tongue-tied lover Pierre Besukhov. With *Waterloo*, produced in association with Dino De Laurentis, the casting made more concessions to Western audiences, though neither Steiger nor Plummer proved the film's strongest points.

Waterloo concluded. Bondarchuk began teaching at the Moscow Institute where he had once been a student, and his film projects began to appeal less to the outside world. Aside from *They Fought for their Country*, his biggest venture was *Red Bells* (1983), a two-part film inspired by John Reed's eyewitness account of the Bolshevik Revolution, *Ten Days That Shook the World*. Emerging at festivals at the same time as Warren Beatty's own John Reed film, *Reds*, Bondarchuk's version, festooned with red flags and clichés, looked notably old-fashioned.

By the 1990s Bondarchuk's epic brand of cinema was worlds removed from the chaotic, satiric views of life perpetuated by younger directors. It was also beyond Soviet budgets: *And Quiet Flows the Don*, long one of his projects, was rejected by the state film committee, Goskino, and was bankrolled with Italian funds. Completed in 1993 and featuring Rupert Everett as the Cossack hero, Grigory Melekhov, it has yet to make an impact.

Among other prizes, Bondarchuk was awarded the Lenin Prize in 1960, and the State Prize of the Soviet Union in 1952.

He was twice married and had a daughter.

SHEILA MINTO

Sheila Minto, LVO, OBE, former administrator at 10 Downing Street, died on October 19 aged 84. She was born on September 19, 1908.



A LOYAL servant of eight Prime Ministers, Sheila Minto began her remarkable life at 10 Downing Street in 1935, a reluctant recruit from the War Office where she had been enjoying herself immensely as a secretary since 1929. She claimed that she only went over the road for an interview so that she could say she had been inside No 10. She was to remain there for 33 years, rising to control all the office staff and to administer the machinery of the Honours List.

Stanley Baldwin was in office and the Abdication crisis was gathering momentum. It was an early lesson in the discretion expected of those who regularly saw emissaries from the King slipping in and out of the back door. Service with Neville Chamberlain, and the tensions of approaching war, took Sheila Minto on her first trip abroad — to see Mussolini in Rome in 1939. She was later to go to Moscow with Churchill in 1944 — her first flight in an aeroplane — and to Potsdam in 1945.

She had by then become a senior and responsible figure, in charge of all the boxes and documents, a position earned by a hard apprenticeship through the long war years. Winston Churchill spared neither himself nor those who served him, whatever the hour of the day or night, frequently dictating in bed or bath, and usually chaperoned by various pet birds and beasts.

Born in Highgate, the seventh and youngest child of Archibald Minto, a sugar buyer, Sheila Allison Minto grew up near Dunoon, in Scotland. Friendly, tough-minded and cheerfully competent, she came to embody the permanent standards at No 10, which underpinned the fleeting, if colourful, presence of more visible figures. "A most friendly person," commented Lord Home of the Hirsel, who found her still at No 10 when he returned 25 years after serving as Neville Chamberlain's Parliamentary Private Secretary, "and a great companion . . . a splendid organiser, with a wonderful sense of humour".

The postwar years saw Sheila Minto serving Clement Attlee, then Churchill again and Anthony Eden, with a fierce pride in the totally non-political stance of herself and her permanent colleagues. Her recruits were from varied backgrounds, and she gradually created, as she moved to a senior position, a public office which must have been unique in its dedication, friendliness and cohesion, from private secretaries, through the garden girls to messengers.

The great years of No 10 as a working environment, under Harold Macmillan and Alec Douglas-Home, owed much to the attitudes of these Prime Ministers and their families to the people with whom they had to share a roof; but they were also the reward of Sheila Minto's management skills. "Job satisfaction" was not then a current phrase, but those working long and unsocial hours, in basements and attics, with venerable office machinery, and no tea ladies or canteen, enjoyed every minute of a life that was illuminated by good humour and the enjoyment of providing an immaculate — and appreciated — service to the Prime Minister of the day.

It was mostly Sheila Minto's doing. Admired and trusted from above and below, and seasoned by the genuine hardship and grief of the war years, she said goodbye to the Douglas-Homes with personal regret — but also with a determination to justify the principles of a working lifetime and to show his successor that the pride of No 10 was impartial efficiency and goodwill. Harold Wilson and his entourage proved hard to convince. A web of distrust and dislike was spun out of uninformed prejudice — with even the term "twin set and pearls" assuming a sinister political connotation.

Sheila Minto's last working years were clouded by that sort of suspicion. She retired in 1968 after 33 years, only making any public comment when she wrote to *The Times* four years afterwards to refute allegations in Marcia Williams's book, *Inside Number 10* (a work which managed to mention Sheila Minto not at all). Allegations that her staff were too tidily dressed and well-behaved when travelling publicly she ignored, but that they were professionally incompetent she could not let pass. She enjoyed a few more working years as the invaluable personal secretary to Lord Diplock, then the senior Law Lord.

In later life, after the appearance in print of so much once-confidential material, Sheila Minto became a popular source of historical reminiscence. The journalists and television writers who beat a path to her door were paying a proper tribute to someone who, from direct experience, knew more about the backstage side of politics than most.

She never married.

GAMINI DISSANAYAKE

Gamini Dissanayake, Sri Lankan presidential candidate and leader of the opposition United National Party, was killed in an explosion at an election rally in Colombo on October 23 aged 52. He was born on March 20, 1942.

ONE of the architects of a controversial 1987 pact between Colombo and Delhi, which brought Indian troops to Sri Lanka, Gamini Dissanayake was a rebel member of Sri Lanka's United National Party. After returning to the UNP fold in 1993 in the wake of the assassination of President Ranasinghe Premadasa, he had been chosen as the party leader and had his sights set firmly on winning the presidency in elections next month.

A suave, ambitious politician, with a flair for organisation, Dissanayake lived a colourful and controversial life. The eldest child in a wealthy family in Kotmale in the Central Hills of Sri Lanka, he had his early education at Trinity College, Kandy, where he was a good sportsman. His father became a Member of Parliament for the Sri Lanka Freedom Party (SLFP) of Solomon Bandaranaike, whose daughter is Sri Lanka's present Prime Minister, Mrs Chandrika Kumaratunga. Ironically, in the presidential elections to be held on November 9, Dissanayake was to be the candidate for the rival United National Party, challenging Mrs Kumaratunga, the SLFP candidate.

Gamini Dissanayake had been expected to study chartered accountancy in England but these plans were abandoned when his father suffered a heart attack. He remained in Sri Lanka instead to look after the family business and studied law, qualifying in 1966 when he was 24.

In 1970 he successfully contested the elections for the UNP. Seven years later, when the UNP won the general election with a record majority, President Junius Jayewardene made him one of the UNP's senior spokesmen.

In the 1980s he was given ministerial responsibility for a huge project which called for an investment of more than £1.5 billion to divert the 202-mile-long Mahaweli river to arid areas and also to build a



series of dams to generate hydro electricity. It was the island's most ambitious development project. Britain contributed £110 million towards one of the dams, the double curvature Victoria Dam which was inaugurated by Margaret Thatcher when she was Prime Minister.

Dissanayake's most controversial political role came at the height of the conflict between Sri Lanka's Sinhalese majority and Tamil separatists when he played a key part in bringing Indian troops to the island. On becoming President, Premadasa treated Dissanayake as a rival and gave him a minor ministry with responsibility for plantations. Dissanayake and some of his supporters attempted to impeach the President but Premadasa fought back. Eventually Dissanayake and eight others were expelled from the UNP and from Parliament.

Dissanayake then formed a new political party, the Democratic United National Party (DUNF) with other colleagues and was co-leader with Laith Athulathmudali. When Athulathmudali was assassinated at an election rally in April last year in Colombo, Dissanayake became the sole leader of the DUNF and made a political impact by capturing seats in three of the provinces where provincial council elections were held in May last year. However, a few months after President Premadasa was assassinated, his successor as President Dingiri Banda Wijetunga, was instrumental in persuading Dissanayake to return to the UNP fold.

When the UNP lost the elections, Dissanayake challenged Ranil Wickremesinghe, a former Prime Minister, for the party leadership and won a secret ballot to become the UNP's presidential candidate.

Gamini Dissanayake leaves a lasting monument in the way he used his administrative powers and his skills, literally, to move mountains and rivers to make the Mahaweli river diversion a reality. One of the most difficult tasks he undertook was to allow the waters of the Mahaweli to flood his own family property at Kotmale.

He is survived by his wife and two children.

JOHN MORGAN-GRENVILLE

John Morgan-Grenville, businessman and former High Sheriff of West Sussex, died from cancer on October 15 aged 67. He was born on July 10, 1927.

DEVOTED to Sussex in general and to the Rother Valley in particular, John Morgan-Grenville was a bluff, hearty, essentially patrician figure. As a former High Sheriff of West Sussex and Deputy Lieutenant of the county, he regarded public service both as a duty and an honour. He was also a very successful local businessman.

John Richard Bine Morgan-Grenville was born in Iping on the Rother River. His paternal great-grandfather was the third Duke of Buckingham, and lived in Stowe before that house was turned into a school. His paternal grandfather was in the Army and his father was a former diamond prospector and mining engineer, who had travelled widely in Afghanistan.

The young John's schooldays were upset considerably by the outbreak of war — first, by his prep school, West Hill Park, in Hampshire, being evacuated to Cornwall, and then by Eton seeing more than its share of bombing. He started his National Service in the Brigade of Guards and then was commissioned into the Green Jackets. He saw action in Egypt and Palestine, latterly serving in the role of brigade intelligence officer as a 19-year-old captain.

Afterwards he trained as an accountant — work which he found tedious at the time, but which stood him in good stead later in the business world. He took six months off from his studies to explore Kenya, Uganda, Burundi and Rwanda, in one of the first cars — a 1936 Ford V8 — to negotiate many of the tracks (locals carried the car over particularly rough stretches).

Morgan-Grenville was not a man who found it easy to work for others and in 1957 he founded, with his brother, what was to become the Dexam group of companies. The firm went on to make tableware, cooking utensils and stainless steel products, and to distribute Wedgwood in France and Lladro in Britain. With its headquarters at Linchmere and a factory in Chichester, it eventually employed 300 people, and has a current turnover of £28 million.

But public service took up a large part of his life. First, there was his commitment to the King Edward VII Hospital in Midhurst, which began in 1979 and ended with his chairing the council. His aims were to make the hospital more "customer" friendly and profitable. He was also involved on the Goodwood estate in various capacities for 40 years, and was a trustee of the Goodwood Art Collection.

In 1989 he was made High Sheriff of West Sussex. He made it his business to learn about all the institutions that made the county run smoothly — the fire brigade, the police, ambulance and town councils. He was a Deputy Lieutenant of the county from 1986 until his death.

Morgan-Grenville lived for 35 years at Upperton House, an old farmhouse near Midhurst, where he created a lovely garden. He was a keen shot, and was also a good pilot, learning to fly in 1968, and making trips from Goodwood airfield to France, Germany, North Africa, and several times behind the Iron Curtain. He must have been one of the few men capable of bicycling backwards more than one kilometre (he brought one small town in France almost to a standstill while performing this trick).

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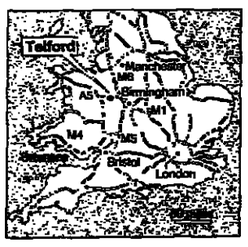
Craig Seton reports on the rebirth of an area which was the cradle of the Industrial Revolution

Telford displays its assets

The Shropshire new town of Telford is accelerating its quest for new investment from overseas as it seeks to build on its international reputation as one of Europe's leading locations for foreign companies.

Created 25 years ago, it now has about 135 international companies based there. Although they represent only a small proportion of its estimated total of 3,000 businesses, they employ one sixth of the workforce — nearly 9,000 people — and are now an integral part of its economic fabric, especially as some of these overseas firms have continued to expand during the recession.

Over the past decade the



foreign arrivals, coming from 18 countries, have been attracted by Telford's huge landbank of serviced greenfield sites, its easy communications with the national motorway network, an adaptable labour force with a manufacturing background and a low cost base.

This overseas presence has given the area's manufacturing industry a high-tech profile. Companies in Telford are involved in the production and supply of computers, discs and audio tapes, televisions and monitors, mobile phones, photocopiers — and a wide range of plastics and rubber processing.

An estimated 1,700 new jobs have to be created in Telford each year to meet the demands of its young and growing workforce in this town of 120,000 people. Telford Development Agency (TDA), which works to promote the town's potential, is sponsored by the Commission for the New Towns, Wrekin District Council and Shropshire County Council, which looks on its new community as a magnet for investment into the shire where the Industrial Revolution was born.

Although Telford has lost the assisted area status that offered grants to potential investors, David Rogerson, TDA director, believes that will not deter further economic growth.

He is convinced that the presence of blue-chip corporations like NEC, Ricoh, Epson, Maxell and Tatung are proof enough of Telford's worth. He says: "The very large contingent of world-famous names that have come here over the last ten years really must give other companies confidence, and that testimonial aspect will play an important part in their decisions about where to locate."

Taiwan is one of the Far Eastern countries being actively targeted by the TDA, with good reason. Of the eight Taiwanese manufacturing established in Europe, three have European headquarters in Telford, including the computer company Mitac, which is expanding rapidly to cope with demand.

Japan and Germany, each represented by over 20 firms, are emerging from their own economic difficulties and once again are on Telford's list as sources of potential new investment, together with America, one of the biggest investors in the new town.

Mr Rogerson says the recent opening of a science and technology park in Telford, and the development of a University of Wolverhampton campus in the town, bolster its economic infrastructure.

Business support services for Telford — and for Shropshire as a whole — have been boosted by the opening last May of Shropshire Business Links, which offers a wide range of "one-stop-shop" facilities.

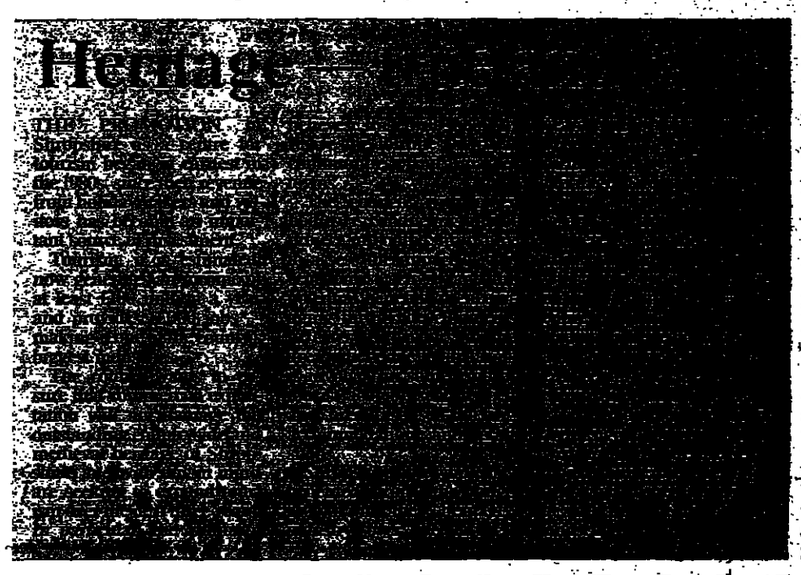
Business Links will have offices in Oswestry and Craven Arms, two of Shropshire's smaller communities where new job creation is vital to reverse the economic decline.

Unemployment is the county is below the national average, but in some rural areas there are pockets of serious joblessness which the county council is striving to tackle through economic revival policies.

These efforts have paid dividends with the recent award of £18 million in European funding, spread over six years, that will be invested in infrastructure improvements in the west of the county.



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Joy of setting up campus

Shropshire's first university springs up in the new town of Telford

Shropshire has its first university campus, after the official opening earlier this year of an outpost of the University of Wolverhampton in the new town of Telford.

The first £11 million phase of the new seat of learning — called the University in Shropshire — is on a 23-acre site with Priorslee Hall, a Grade II listed 18th-century mansion house at its core. The new campus buildings springing up include nine halls of residence housing 300 students, a 300-seat lecture theatre, library, teaching rooms, and a technology transfer centre charged with the task of forging links with industry in Telford and throughout the county.

Almost 1,500 part-time and full-time students doing degree and post-graduate courses are already registered with the university, which is scheduled to expand to 2,500 students by the turn of the century through two more phases of development.

> Shropshire offered a campus amid greenfields and trees

The creation of the University in Shropshire realises the ambitions of Telford new town's planners who, more than 25 years ago, expressed the hope that the fledgeling community would eventually support a higher academic institution.

It has come to fruition largely as a result of plans conceived by the University of Wolverhampton — then a polytechnic — which sought new space for expansion to cope with a ten per cent annual increase in its numbers.

The university has two campuses in Wolverhampton and two more in Dudley and Walsall, all within the Black Country conurbation, and its administrators decided that expansion could best be achieved by going further west into Shropshire, where there was a distinct lack of higher educational provision.

Lesley Rayner, the university's development executive, said: "There has always been a gap in provision to the west. Shropshire offered opportunities of a campus amid greenfields and trees; such things are not thick on the ground in Wolverhampton."

The university acquired the 23-acre site from the former Telford Development Corporation, and the campus began to take shape when the Education Department and the European Regional Development Fund put money into the project to support the university's own investment in the development. The overall cost will eventually rise to about £30 million.

Of the university's ten faculties, humanities and social sciences, education, computing and information technology, the enterprise section of the business school and engineering will be represented in Shropshire.

Mrs Rayner said the Shropshire campus would be developed largely as a regional or sub-regional centre, with a high degree of part-time mature students from Shropshire and the Black Country — people seeking a second chance to gain higher educational and vocational qualifications.

Full-time courses already available include degree-level business studies, accounting and finance, European business studies and tourism management, plus a social work diploma, and part-time programmes in business enterprise, personnel management and computing.

The University of Wolverhampton is one of the largest in Britain, with over 500 academic staff and about 20,000 students now registered on its five campuses or on distance-learning programmes.

Its administrators regard the Shropshire development as offering a huge opportunity to promote its academic research and consultancy expertise to the business community.

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Telford is proud of its huge area of top-grade development land

A major attraction for Telford's incoming investors is that 40 per cent of the top-grade development land available in the West Midlands region — 2,000 acres for industrial and residential use owned by the Commission for the New Towns (CNT) — lies within the town's boundaries.

Chris Mackrell, CNT's West Midlands director, says the huge landbank will handsomely sustain the new town's strategy for continued growth into the next century.

Available land is split evenly between residential sites and serviced greenfield locations — the majority with outline planning permission — for industrial development.

He points to the 96-acre Telford Science and Technology Park on CNT land as evidence of the high-quality developments that have continued to take place in the new town. The new £6 million project at Nedge Hill is targeted to attract "mid-tech" and "high-tech" firms from home and overseas on to its network of 18 landscaped greenfield sites that have been prepared by the Government-backed agency.

The first occupier of the largely speculative development is the Taiwanese computer manufacturer, Mitac Europe, which first started trading in Telford in leased premises, but has now moved to a purpose-built 42,000 sq ft European headquarters on the site. Two further phases of expansion are planned to more than double the size of the facility, and the company has an option to buy another 10 acres from CNT.

The park development, set in 40 acres of mature woodland landscape, is supported by the Telford Development Agency, the University in Shropshire — a new Telford-based campus of the University of Wolverhampton — and the Rubber and Plastics Research Association (RAPRA) and British Polymer Training Association (BPTA), which both have centres nearby.

Mr Mackrell says their involvement will increase hopes that the science and technology development will become a centre for a wide range of companies committed to research and development and technology transfer links with the new university campus.

"Every town wants more high-tech companies," he said, "and Telford is no exception, but we are not forgetting the hundreds of mid-tech businesses that combine research and marketing to sell proven technology; companies that offer excellent prospects for long-term employment."

Industrial land of the kind comprising the new park is fetching prices between £120,000 and £140,000 an acre in Telford while residential sites are being sold at up to £200,000 an acre.

Mr Mackrell said housing land sold steadily throughout the recession to meet the demands of the new town's young and growing population, and this year an estimated 450 new homes will be completed on land sold by CNT to developers. The signs are also encouraging for industrial property.

The CNT is to give Wrekin district council, Telford's local authority, eight acres of land through the Invest in Success scheme, including a town-centre site for a proposed 1,200-seat theatre, which it hopes will attract private finance. Under the competition arrangement, CNT is also putting up three acres of land on the town's new science and technology park to be marketed as a development for small business units.



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The melting attraction

More than 80 plastics firms have now settled in Telford — a good reason to attract new ones



Future workers in Telford's plastics industry being trained at the British Polymer Training Association

So great was the number of plastics firms attracted to Telford in the mid-1980s that the town was dubbed "plastics valley".

More than 80 companies in Telford belong to the general polymer sector, involving plastics and rubber processing and, in the county of Shropshire as a whole, there are over 120 companies operating in the polymer industry.

Shropshire is also home to two of the industry's leading organisations, the British Polymer Training Association (BPTA), based in the new town, and the Rubber and Plastics Research Association (Rapra) at Shawbury, which is nearby.

Polymer activities in Telford span plastic and rubber processing, manufacture, assembly and packaging, including the production of video and audio cassettes, monitors and printers, UPVC windows and wheeled waste containers.

Telford Development Agency, which is responsible for promoting the town as a centre for inward investment, is keen that the growth of the polymer sector should continue apace. The Agency recently commissioned the BPTA to conduct a survey into the significant factors which draw firms to the location. These include good communications, a skilled workforce with long-established experience in manufacturing, low costs and an abundance of greenfield sites.

Plastic Omnium, the French plastics group, has expanded in Telford from 92,000 to 150,000 square feet. The company makes wheeled waste handling containers and supplies mouldings to the motor industry, including Ford and General Motors.

It received financial aid through the Government's regional selective assistance programme but David Heathcock, the firm's UK managing director, says there were a number of other factors which attracted it to the town, not least the availability of a skilled workforce. Furthermore, he added: "Telford offered a low-cost base with excellent motorway connections to the national roads network."

The first foreign-owned polymer firm in Telford, in 1984, was Maxell (UK) of Japan, which makes video and audio cassettes and floppy discs from its European headquarters in the town, employing 500 people. It trains its workforce through BPTA.

Another, Dunlop Automotive Components (UK), makes inlet manifolds, water outlets and water connectors for Ford's UK and European market.

The British Polymer Training Association moved to Telford in 1985 and runs a £2 million technical centre devoted to training shopfloor employees, product development and tooling trials. This year it has started work with the Shropshire Training and Enterprise Council to draft a model scheme for the Government's Modern Apprenticeship scheme.

The Rubber and Plastics Research Association has been based in Shropshire since the early 1950s as an international consultancy with expertise in materials research and new product design. It conducts about 2,000 projects a year for international clients and runs training courses in polymer technology.

Jobs generator Telford creates work for rural people

New town, new hopes

It must frequently seem to the county council's economic development team that all roads into Shropshire lead to Telford. The town has captured almost all the inward investment into the county — notably that from overseas — and it has organisations of Bothamesque stature batting for it: its own development agency and the Commission for the New Towns, which owns a huge landbank there.

The disparate components that make up Shropshire pose special difficulties for the county council's economic planners, which on the one hand has to help satisfy the job-hungry needs of Telford and, at the same time, compose a policy that will create employment in rural areas and its network of market towns.

The economic development department is based at Shire Hall in Shrewsbury, the ancient county town. Just a few miles east on the A5 is Telford, an artificial new town which was created 25 years ago and now requires 1,700 new jobs a year to meet its growth targets as it expands towards a population of 140,000 by the end of the century.

But the council, a partner in the Telford Development Agency, regards the new town as a magnet for new business that benefits Shropshire as a whole.

Rob Rosson, the assistant economic development officer, says: "Think what Shropshire would be like without Telford. It is a jobs generator and many people from rural areas work there.

"The fact that it is continuing to attract foreign investment, despite the ending of its regional selective assistance status, proves it has something going for it."

He says the county council, albeit with limited funds, has a wide range of initiatives to develop a positive jobs-creating policy for the whole county including Telford.

Last year its business-support measures provided assistance to over 400 firms, helping to create or maintain 406 jobs.

One of the most notable recent achievements has been a bid with a host of other authorities and organisations that secured up to £18 million of European funding over six years for the rural west of Shropshire, an area of poor communications, with an ageing population and affected by agricultural decline.

Much of the money will be spent on infrastructure improvements to attract economic activity, including small business and tourism developments.

The economic development team's biggest coup of recent years was to attract the German dairy and yoghurt company Müller to one of its development sites in Market Drayton, where it now employs over 400 people at a £30 million production centre.

Rob Rosson says another foreign firm, on a smaller scale, is expected to move into the county soon. In some communities the creation of perhaps 25 to 30 jobs would be sufficient to revive the local economy.

Unemployment is below the national average at 8.7 per cent in Shropshire, with over 14,000 people claiming benefit, but it impacts heavily in centres of population such as Oswestry and Whitchurch. The council policy is to ensure that there is a business park or industrial development site in each of these locations.

Development forums of local bodies have been formed in many centres to assess economic and social needs, and both Oswestry and Craven Arms are developing business resource centres.

Rob Rosson pointed to the county's quality of life and its low-cost base for businesses. He also listed a series of council initiatives which have been designed to keep the economy on the move: its large programme of training through an in-house training division improving the skills of about 3,000 people a year; a trading mission to Eire by local firms that created export orders; and a new system of small grants to help to keep shops open in rural villages and communities.

He added: "The county council does not create jobs, but it does work hard to enable others to provide jobs."

TEC offers a key to hope for the jobless

As market towns and the countryside go into economic decline, the need grows to train for new employment

Three hundred new businesses were started in 1993-94 with financial help and support services from the Shropshire Training and Enterprise Council, one of the key agencies involved in the task of economic regeneration throughout the county.

The TEC has now been involved in a total of 1,000 new business start-ups since it was established in 1991 and it is estimated that 2,000 new jobs have been created. As a result. The Government-backed agency is pumping about £12 million a year into the local economy through its training, enterprise and education initiatives.

Some of those fledgling enterprises have since gone to the wall, destroyed by the recession, but the TEC's figures show that 76 per cent of the firms it has supported survive for more than a year and 69 per cent are still trading after 18 months.

The creation of new jobs in Shropshire is especially important in many of the county's rural areas and market towns, where changes in the agricultural industry and the decline of smaller businesses have created problems of unemployment and low incomes.

Stephen Jury, the TEC's chief executive, says a pilot project to help small rural businesses in south Shropshire has proved so successful that it is due to be extended throughout the county. Under the scheme, ten selected manufacturing firms with fewer than 25 employees have been provided with expert business sales and marketing support which, over three years, is expected to almost double their average turnover to £340,000 each and create a total of 50 new jobs.

> "You can't train people for jobs that are not there"

Mr Jury said: "We have got to look to smaller employers with growth opportunities to help create jobs. It is no good training unemployed people in skills if there are no jobs."

The pilot programme also involves Shropshire Business Link, which began work in the county in May this year. It has been set up through a partnership of business support providers — including the TEC and local authorities — as a "one-stop-shop" for a wide range of business services. It has headquarters in Telford and satellite offices in Oswestry and, soon, Craven Arms. A team of 12 personal business advisers have visited hundreds of small firms.

During the past year more than 4,000 young people aged between 16 and 22 have gained work experience and training in Shropshire leading to National Vocational Qualifications with the Jobwise programme. Amost 1,900 long-term unemployed took part in training for work schemes, but only 30 per cent of people leaving the programme were successful in finding work, according to TEC figures, revealing the scale of the difficulties it and other agencies face in providing sustainable employment in the county.

The Shropshire TEC is involved in a range of other initiatives to raise education and training standards and encourage enterprise, including the Investors in People scheme and a scheme under which 10 per cent of the county's teachers have gained temporary placements with local employers.

A pagoda in the fields



An impression of the new European headquarters of the computer company Enta

A Taiwanese computer firm makes it mark

THE PAGODA style of a new building that will soon show on the Telford skyline heralds the expansion of Enta Technologies, a company founded by businessman Jason Tsai.

Mr Tsai, from Taiwan, set up the firm four years ago as a computer sales and service operation with three staff and a turnover of about £200,000 a year.

It has grown to become a major supplier of personal computer systems, portable PCs and computer components to 3,000 trade customers in the United Kingdom and the rest of Europe and this year turnover will be about £28 million. The workforce has risen to more than 60.

The new £5 million centre due to open next spring will be the firm's European headquarters. Mr Tsai arrived in Telford in 1980 as a manager with the Taiwanese TV manufacturer Tatung and in 1990 decided to go it alone.

He is a well-known local entrepreneur who has offered accommodation to set up a Chinese school in the new town to serve the children of the growing Taiwanese community of over 100 people. He also gives valuable assistance to Telford Development Agency.

Mr Tsai said he chose to expand in Telford because of the availability of greenfield sites, the hard working labour force and the excellent communications to the rest of the UK; his new plant is within sight of the M54.

He said: "We supply mainly to the UK, but we are expanding in European markets. Transportation is very good from here and it is easy to get our goods into Europe by truck or by air."

Taiwan is represented in Telford by five firms. The Computer company, Mitac Europe, is also enjoying a demand-led growth. It opened a new plant on the Telford Science and Technology Park last year and is increasing production to 7,000 PCs a month. Executives are now considering bringing forward plans which would double the size of the factory.



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NEWS

Workfare plan to cut jobless

■ A tough new benefits regime designed to propel thousands of long-term jobless off the dole was unveiled as the future of the welfare state moved to the top of the political agenda.

Peter Lilley and Michael Portillo, the right-wing axis running the employment and social security departments, joined forces to put the idea of workfare at the core of the Government's strategy ..... Pages 1, 8, 9

George Walker cleared of £19m fraud

■ George Walker, the former champion boxer who created the Brent Walker leisure empire, was cleared of theft and false accounting at Southwark. Mr Walker, 65, had been accused of "orchestrating" a £19.3 million profits fraud at Brent Walker's film division. Wilfred Aquilina, 43, former group finance director, was convicted of false accounting ..... Page 1

Al-Fayed battle

The battle between the Government and the Al-Fayed brothers took a fresh turn as Michael Howard, the Home Secretary issued a detailed clear-the-air explanation of his role in the citizenship issue ..... Page 1

More expulsions

State schools are locked in a spiral of ill-discipline as record numbers of disruptive pupils are expelled. Expulsions more than doubled last year in spite of appeals that exclusion should be a weapon of last resort ..... Page 1

Sentences increased

Two motorists who killed while under the influence of alcohol had their 18-month prison sentences increased to four years ..... Page 2

Double killer jailed

A double killer, who stayed silent for two years about his first victim while an innocent man was charged with murder, was jailed for life ..... Page 3

Airlines' safety call

Airlines have demanded cast-iron assurances that the runway at Heathrow, the world's busiest airport, will be unaffected by further tunnelling work ..... Page 5

Memorable flight

Two pilots in a replica Vickers Vimy aircraft have landed safely in Darwin after recreating the first flight from England to Australia 75 years ago ..... Page 6

Tax reform plan

The Commission on Social Justice set up by the late John Smith, unveiled a plan for welfare reform, with proposals to transform the tax and benefit system and help the jobless ..... Page 8

Diver injured

An amateur diver was crippled for life after being dragged upwards when the dinghy to which he was attached was taken in tow by a fishing boat, the High Court was told ..... Page 10

Canal revival

British Waterways launched an ambitious plan to reopen lowland Scotland's canal system by the end of the century ..... Page 12

Silent killing

The serial killer who murdered seven backpackers in Australia used a rifle with a silencer when he shot Caroline Clarke, a British tourist, in the head ten times, a court was told ..... Page 13

Peace protection

Israel and Jordan began mounting "the mother of all security operations" in an attempt to protect President Clinton and the spectacular peace signing ceremony in the desert ..... Page 14

Sri Lanka curfew

Sri Lanka imposed a curfew and a state of emergency after a suicide bomb attack killed Gamini Dissanayake, a presidential candidate ..... Page 15

Bank executive stole £500,000

■ A bank executive stole half a million pounds so he could live the high life with two mistresses and send his local football club on international tours. Graham Doughty, who used bank funds to fly Concorde, take lavish holidays and buy a home and a business for a girlfriend, was jailed for 4½ years at Birmingham. Doughty admitted theft from TSB ..... Page 3

ADAM BUTLER



John Major with Albert Reynolds (left), the Irish Prime Minister, and Dick Spring, his Foreign Minister, at Chequers yesterday. Page 2

BUSINESS

Steel: The European Commission is expected to announce that its steel restructuring plan, an ambitious blueprint to cut capacity in the EU, has failed and should be dropped ..... Page 25

Airlines: USAir, 24.6 per cent owned by BA, reported worse-than-expected third quarter losses and predicted disappointing fourth quarter results ..... Page 25

Electricity: Share prices in the 12 electricity companies soared after East Midlands confirmed plans for a bonus £187 million hand-out to its shareholders ..... Page 25

Markets: The FT-SE 100 fell 3.7 to 3029.1. Sterling's index remained unchanged at 80.4 after a rise from $1.6271 to $1.6280 and from DM2.4345 to DM2.4371 .... Page 28

Rugby League: Shaun Edwards, the Great Britain captain, sent off during the win over Australia, has been banned for three matches and fined £1,000 ..... Page 48

Rugby Union: Jeremy Guscott, the Bath centre, who has played only twice for his club since recovering from a long-term pelvic injury, is in the England team to play Romania on November 12 ..... Page 48

Cricket: Alec Stewart, of Surrey, vice-captain of the England side in Australia will miss the team's first four matches after breaking his right index finger ..... Page 48

Football: The Football League will take no action against Manchester United for fielding below-strength teams in two Coca-Cola Cup games against Port Vale ..... Page 45

Disputed Michelangelos: "The Entombment convinces me that it is the work of a man who would be ready to embark on the Sistine", writes Richard Cork ..... Page 33

Top museum: The Tower Museum in Londonderry has been named as the National Heritage IBM Museum of the Year ..... Page 34

Operatic rarities: Rubinstein's The Demon, Wagner's apprentice work Das Liebesverbot, and the "other" La Bohème — by Leoncavallo — were rarities staged at the Wexford Festival ..... Page 33

Bard blitz: The Barbican launches its Everybody's Shakespeare. "He is always dealing with dimensions that stand beyond the everyday passage of our lives," says Adrian Noble, the RSC's director .. Page 35

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Fainting fit: A blackout is just a blackout. Take a victim to hospital and it is complicated ..... Page 17

Is anyone there?: The ouija board case raises questions about the privacy of jurors ..... Page 37

Family law: A recent test case may contribute to the reform of the Child Support Act 1991 ..... Page 39

How suicide affects those close to the victim is the subject of Daniel Percival's documentary: You're Better Off Without Me (BBC2, 8.00pm) ..... Page 43

Jousters for justice

Imagination is needed to design systems of benefit that do not produce perverse outcomes, which deter rather than encourage dependency ..... Page 19

An ethical commission

As a sensible compromise a special commission of inquiry should be given six months to report on the issues of public morality that are now causing most concern Page 19

Black and white issue

As for Ming Ming, we wish her bon voyage home, and in due course the shuffle of tiny furry feet ..... Page 19

BERNARD LEVIN

President Suharto did indeed promise to murder slightly fewer people in East Timor than had been his practice hitherto but since he had already murdered a number running to something between half a million and a million, logic alone makes clear that there were substantially smaller numbers left to murder ..... Page 18

SARAH BAXTER

Labour's spin-doctors have been stressing that the Social Justice Commission is an independent and purely advisory body. But they are in danger of protesting too much. The commission is Labour's nearest thing to a "big idea" ..... Page 18

PETER RIDDELL

The Social Justice Commission will have served its purpose if it frees Labour from past constraints and provides an intellectually respectable case for reform ..... Page 9

Sergei Bondarchuk, Soviet actor and film director; Sheila Minto, former administrator at No 10 Downing Street; Gamini Dissanayake, Sri Lankan opposition leader; John Morgan-Grenville, businessman and former High Sheriff for West Sussex ..... Page 21

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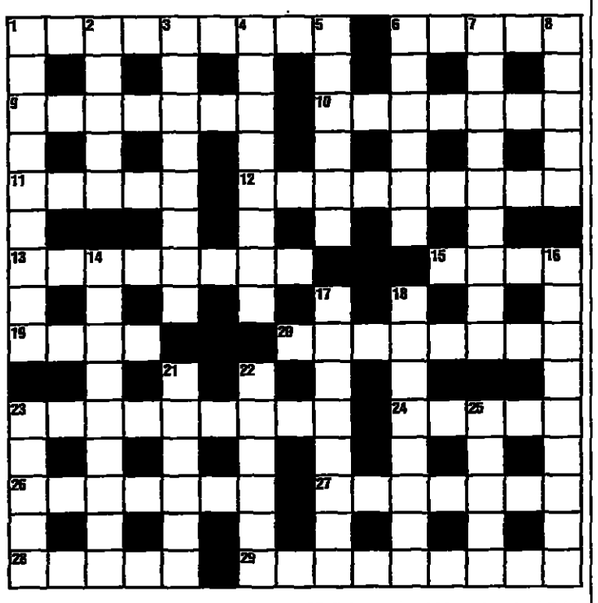
■ **SALACIOUS SOAP**
Lynne Truss, television reviewer, on Sharon (left) and the latest salvo in the soap war

■ **BY DEGREES**
Alan Coren, Times columnist, computes the terms of a virtual education

Until Haitians can be trained to take over, the US Army will be forced into assuming greater control over disarming and policing the country. Now the Army needs to change its doctrine and train units for the sole purpose of peacekeeping — *New York Times*

Cancer phobia is a mainstay of American politics and never more so than in matters involving food — *Wall Street Journal*

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ACROSS

1 Hoarding food provided on account (9).
6 Party strife? No way (5).
9 Beginning to develop a new climb (7).
10 Illustrator of house and garden? (7).
11 Completely free from obscenity (5).
12 Orderly bringing fruit in jelly (9).
13 Sort of daring, if unbecoming (5,3).
15 Parker's time (4).
19 Amount of ground crusaders wanted to gain? (4).
20 Comprehensive result of Labour win? (8).
23 It gives mixed light and shade (9).
24 Returning. I'd meet outspoken religious leader (5).
26 One failing to attend church (7).
27 Prisoner in old hat ploughed field (7).
28 Easily excited? At first, not very excited (5).
29 Royal advisers perhaps said to go for high stakes (9).

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1 Hard tissue used by wife in domestic service (4,5).
2 Strand in city without car (5).
3 One inn able to cook a vegetable like a carrot, say (8).
4 Sit up to keep out cold in polar regions – skilfully done (8).
5 Cleaner speaking to a flower (6).
6 Absorb a reduction (6).
7 Running out of clothes (9).
8 Unwelcome task, getting nothing on top but brown earth here (5).
14 Department of State once had predominance over king – George I, say (9).
16 When not in the capital, I may show such eccentricity (9).
17 Bronze weapon – melt a mixture to make it (3-5).
18 Blockhead walks for pleasure in the bushes (8).
21 Meeting extremely welcoming to good fellow (6).
22 Local rising captures attention, but don't worry (4,2).
23 Do they bring no end of trouble to those who come after? (5).
25 Tried to get a lot of animals round (5).

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HIGHEST & LOWEST

Sunday: Highest day temp: Poole, Dorset, 16C (61F); lowest day max: Spadeadam, Cumbria, 9C (48F); highest rainfall: Ronaldsway, Isle of Man, 1.64in; highest sunshine: Birmingham 9.2hr.

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General situation

☐ **General:** England and Wales will have a cloudy start with rain. The more persistent rain should clear away to the east, with brighter but showery weather to follow.

The showers should last into the evening in western parts but in the east they should die out.

Northern and western parts, including Northern Ireland, will have showers, some of them heavy. Many eastern counties, especially those sheltered by high ground to the west, will be largely dry.

☐ **London, SE England, E Anglia, Central S England, E Midlands, E England, W Midlands, Channel Isles, SW England, S Wales, Central N:** rain clearing from the west with showers later, mainly in the west. Wind southerly fresh to strong, later southwesterly moderate to fresh. Max 13C (55F).

☐ **N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man:** showers, some of them heavy, and sunny intervals. Winds southwest moderate or fresh. Max 12C (54F).

☐ **NE England, Borders, Edinburgh & Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray Firth:** sunny intervals, but a few scattered showers. Wind south, mainly moderate. Max 12C (54F).

☐ **SW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, NE Scotland, Argyll, NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland, N Ireland:** showers, some of them heavy. Winds southwest becoming northwest, mainly fresh. Max 10C (50F).

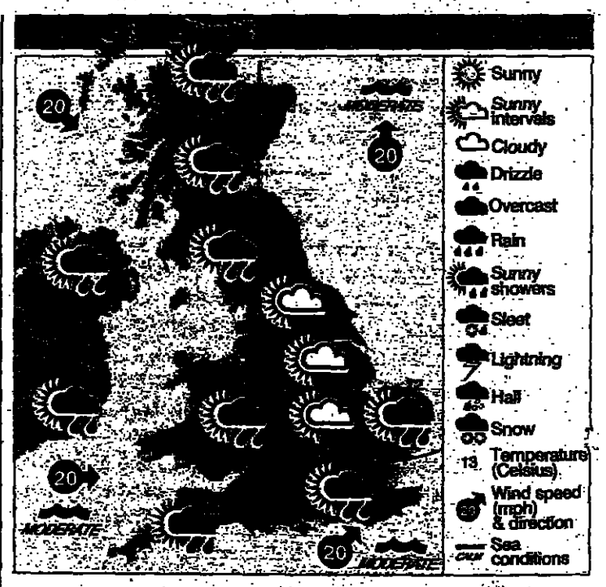
☐ **Outlook:** becoming colder. Showery with a brisk wind.

24 hrs to 6 pm: t=thunder; d=drizzle; ds=dust storm; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; h=hail; c=cloud; r=rain; h=hail; du=dull; g=gale; sh=shower; b=bright

	Sun hrs	Rain in	C	Max F			Sun hrs	Rain in	C	Max F	
Aberdeen	2.8	0.59	13	55	sh	London	6.5	0.01	15	59	s
Anglesey	2.5	0.37	13	55	c	Lowestoft	7.0	-	15	59	s
Aspatria	-	0.59	13	55	r	Manchester	1.5	0.43	13	55	r
Aviemore	-	0.28	11	52	r	Margate	X				
Belfast	0.2	0.35	12	54	sh	Minehead	7.2	0.01	15	59	s
Birmingham	9.2	0.09	14	57	s	Morecambe	-	0.36	12	54	r
Bognor R	4.9	0.12	15	59	b	Newcastle	0.2	0.05	13	55	r
Bournem'th	5.0	0.22	15	59	s	Newquay	X				
Bristol	X					Norwich	7.7	-	15	59	s
Buxton	1.9	0.98	10	50	s	Nottingham	3.0	0.12	13	55	b
Cardiff	7.0	0.01	14	57	sh	Oxford	7.5	-	14	57	s
Clacton	5.9	0.05	14	57	s	Penzance	5.2	0.20	15	59	sh
Cleethorpes	X					Plymouth	4.8	0.42	14	57	s
Colwyn Bay	1.7	0.77	13	55	sh	Poole	4.8	0.20	16	61	s
Cromer	7.4	0.02	14	57	s	Prestatyn	X	0.59	13	55	sh
Doncaster	1.6	0.23	13	55	r	Ross-o-wye	7.3	0.06	14	57	s
Dunbar	X					Ryde	X				
Eastbourne	3.8	0.73	14	57	r	Salcombe	X				
Edinburgh	-	0.87	13	55	c	Sandown	4.7	0.54	15	59	s
Eskdalemuir	-	0.65	11	52	sh	Saunton Snd	7.0	0.11	16	59	s
Exmouth	3.7	0.11	14	57	s	Scarboro'	-	0.16	11	52	d
Falmouth	X	0.22	15	59	sh	Scilly Isles	6.2	0.03	14	57	r
Fishguard	6.9	0.16	12	54	s	Shanklin	4.6	0.39	15	59	s
Folkestone	X					Shrewsbury	6.7	0.13	14	57	sh
Glasgow	0.1	0.53	13	55	c	Skegness	3.1	-	13	55	b
Guernsey	3.0	0.44	15	59	sh	Southend	X				
Hastings	4.7	0.77	15	59	s	Southport	X	0.35	13	55	r
Hayling I.	X					Southsea	5.0	0.19	15	59	s
Herne Bay	4.0	0.28	14	57	r	Stornoway	-	0.17	11	52	r
Hunstanton	3.7	-	13	55	s	Swanage	4.4	0.83	15	59	sh
Isle of Man	2.6	1.64	13	55	b	Teignmouth	4.2	0.13	15	59	s
Jersey	4.0	0.34	16	59	sh	Tiree	-	0.07	12	54	sh
Kinloss	-	1.18	11	52	r	Torquay	3.5	0.28	15	59	s
Leeds	0.2	0.29	12	54	r	Tynemouth	0.2	0.04	13	55	c
Lerwick	-	0.24	10	50	r	Ventnor	4.5	0.37	14	57	s
Lauchars	0.1	0.35	13	55	r	West-s-mare	X				
Littlehmpin	5.4	0.42	15	59	sh	Weymouth	4.8	0.54	15	59	b
Liverpool	1.5	0.88	12	54	sh	These are Sunday's figures					

Ajaccio	20	68	f	C'hagn	12	54	s	Madrid	17	63	f
Akrotiri	27	81	f	Corfu	23	73	f	Majorca	21	70	s
Alex'dria	31	88	s	Dublin	11	52	f	Malaga	23	73	s
Algiers	22	72	f	Dubrovnik	16	61	r	Melb'rne	28	82	s
Amst'dm	12	54	c	Faro	21	70	s	Mexico C	23	73	s
Athens	24	75	s	Florence	17	63	f	Miami	30	86	c
Bahrain	33	91	s	Frankfurt	12	54	c	Milan	15	59	s
Bangkok	28	82	s	Funchal	23	73	c	Montreal	16	61	f
Barbados	30	86	f	Geneva	13	55	r	Moscow	6	43	s
Barcelona	20	68	s	Gibraltar	22	72	s	Munich	12	54	f
Beirut	30	86	f	Helsinki	6	43	c	Nairobi	23	73	f
Belgrade	20	68	s	Hong K	24	75	s	Naples	22	72	f
Berlin	15	59	s	Innsbruck	10	50	r	N Delhi	30	86	s
Bermuda	26	79	s	Istanbul	20	68	s	N York	17	63	r
Biarritz	17	63	s	Jeddah	40	104	s	Nice	19	66	s
Borda'x	16	61	f	Jo'burg	17	63	f	Oslo	10	50	c
Brussels	13	55	f	Karachi	39	91	s	Paris	14	57	f
Budapst	13	55	f	L Palmas	24	75	s	Peking	17	63	s
B Aires	19	66	c	Le Touat	12	54	f	Perth	20	68	f
Cairo	33	91	s	Lisbon	20	68	f	Prague	8	46	c
Cape Tn	21	70	s	Locarno	16	61	s	Reykjavik	2	36	s
Chicago	14	57	s	L Angels	18	64	f	Rhodes	23	73	f
Ch'church	-	-		Luxemb'g	10	50	r	Rio de J	27	81	s
Cologne	10	50	f	Luxor	37	99	f	Riyadh	32	90	s
Rome	20	68	f
Salzburg	10	50	r
S Frisco	17	63	s
Santiago	22	72	s
S Paulo	26	79	c
Seoul	19	66	c
Sing'por	31	88	c
Stkholm	9	48	r
Strasb'rg	13	55	c
Sydney	21	70	s
Tangier	21	70	f
Tel Aviv	31	88	s
Tenerife	21	70	s
Tokyo	17	63	s
Toronto	13	55	c
Tunis	25	77	f
Valencia	21	70	f
Vancouver	9	48	d
Venice	17	63	f
Vienna	10	50	r
Warsaw	10	50	f
Wash'ton	17	63	f
Wel'ngton	14	57	f
Zurich	13	55	c

Temperatures at midday local time. X = not available



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TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT	TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	4.32	6.7	4.58	6.4	Liverpool	1.57	8.3	2.14	8.3
Aberdeen	4.21	3.6	4.36	3.8	Lowestoft	12.07	2.4	12.46	2.8
Avonmouth	9.51	11.4	10.10	10.9	Margate	2.30	4.5	2.54	4.4
Belfast	1.48	3.2	2.12	3.4	Milford Haven	8.59	6.1	9.20	5.8
Cardiff	9.39	10.82	9.55	10.17	Newquay	7.51	5.1	8.16	5.6
Devonport	5.28	4.9	5.47	4.7	Oban	8.20	3.6	8.43	3.3
Dover	1.28	6.2	1.57	6.1	Penzance	7.33	4.9	7.53	4.7
Falmouth	7.58	4.7	8.17	4.5	Portland	0.02	1.8	0.30	1.5
Glasgow	9.47	4.5	3.59	4.3	Portsmouth	2.05	4.3	2.16	4.3
Harwich	2.28	3.8	2.52	3.7	Shoreham	1.43	5.6	1.54	5.5
Holyhead	1.04	5.0	1.20	5.0	Southampton	1.33	4.2	1.51	4.1
Hull	5.12	8.45	5.18	8.43	Swansea	8.40	7.99	9.02	7.63
Ilfracombe	8.40	7.99	9.02	7.63	Tees	9.05	8.2	9.21	7.9
King's Lynn	9.14	5.7	9.24	5.6	Tilbury	6.39	4.8	6.56	4.7
Leith	5.35	5.0	5.53	5.0	Wilton-on-Nes	2.19	4.0	2.46	3.9

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London 4.27 pm to 6.43 am
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Manchester 4.51 pm to 6.55 am
Penzance 5.12 pm to 7.02 am

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Craig Seton reports on the rebirth of an area which was the cradle of the Industrial Revolution

Telford displays its assets



A proud history: Brunel's famous structure at Ironbridge is a World Heritage Site and attracts 300,000 visitors a year

The Shropshire new town of Telford is accelerating its quest for new investment from overseas as it seeks to build on its international reputation as one of Europe's leading locations for foreign companies.

Created 25 years ago, it now has about 135 international companies based there. Although they represent only a small proportion of its estimated total of 3,000 businesses, they employ one sixth of the workforce — nearly 9,000 people — and are now an integral part of its economic fabric, especially as some of these overseas firms have continued to expand during the recession.

Over the past decade the



foreign arrivals, coming from 18 countries, have been attracted by Telford's huge landbank of serviced greenfield sites, its easy communications with the national motorway network, an adaptable labour force with a manufacturing background and a low cost base.

This overseas presence has given the area's manufacturing industry a high-tech profile. Companies in Telford are involved in the production and supply of computers, discs and audio tapes, televisions and monitors, mobile phones, photocopiers — and a wide range of plastics and rubber processing.

An estimated 1,700 new jobs have to be created in Telford each year to meet the demands of its young and growing workforce in this town of 120,000 people. Telford Development Agency (TDA), which works to promote the town's potential, is sponsored by the Commission for the New Towns, Wrekin District Council and Shropshire County Council, which looks on its new community as a magnet for investment into the shire where the Industrial Revolution was born.

Although Telford has lost the assisted area status that offered grants to potential investors, David Rogerson, TDA director, believes that will not deter further economic growth.

He is convinced that the presence of blue-chip corporations like NEC, Ricoh, Epson, Maxell and Tatung are proof enough of Telford's worth. He says: "The very large contingent of world-famous names that have come here over the last ten years really must give other companies confidence, and that testimonial aspect will play an important part in their decisions about where to locate."

Taiwan is one of the Far Eastern countries being actively targeted by the TDA, with good reason. Of the eight Taiwanese manufacturing established in Europe, three have European headquarters in Telford, including the computer company Mitac, which is expanding rapidly to cope with demand.

Japan and Germany, each represented by over 20 firms, are emerging from their own economic difficulties and once again are on Telford's list as sources of potential new investment, together with America, one of the biggest investors in the new town.

Mr Rogerson says the recent opening of a science and technology park in Telford, and the development of a University of Wolverhampton campus in the town, bolster its economic infrastructure.

Business support services for Telford — and for Shropshire as a whole — have been boosted by the opening last May of Shropshire Business Links, which offers a wide range of "one-stop-shop" facilities.

Business Links will have offices in Oswestry and Craven Arms, two of Shropshire's smaller communities where new job creation is vital to reverse the economic decline.

Unemployment is the county is below the national average, but in some rural areas there are pockets of serious joblessness which the county council is striving to tackle through economic revival policies.

These efforts have paid dividends with the recent award of £18 million in European funding, spread over six years, that will be invested in infrastructure improvements in the west of the county.

Heritage — true and false

THE PROMOTION of Shropshire as a centre for tourism began in earnest in the 1960s when direct revenue from holidaymakers and visitors has become an important source of investment.

Tourism, it is estimated, now generates an income of at least £300 million a year and provides 10,000 jobs, making it one of the county's biggest industries.

The county wants to ensure that commercial exploitation will not damage the outstanding countryside and medieval heritage of Shropshire, and with this in mind are seeking to expand tourism over the next three years. In particular, the authority believes that will help to revive the economy of [illegible] communities, and will [illegible] to create jobs.

The project will [illegible] projects in south Shropshire to assess the impact of potential benefits of [illegible] area, further development [illegible] to cater for [illegible] areas where out-of-season [illegible] as [illegible] in south Shropshire [illegible] tourist service, such as [illegible] and breakfast establishments, accommodation, and [illegible] ships.

Shropshire is particularly [illegible] from the huge growth in the [illegible] industry over the last 20 [illegible]

Joy of setting up campus

Shropshire's first university springs up in the new town of Telford

Shropshire has its first university campus, after the official opening earlier this year of an outpost of the University of Wolverhampton in the new town of Telford.

The first £11 million phase of the new seat of learning — called the University in Shropshire — is on a 23-acre site with Priorslee Hall, a Grade II listed, 18th-century mansion house at its core. The new campus buildings springing up include nine halls of residence housing 300 students, a 300-seat lecture theatre, library, teaching rooms, and a technology-transfer centre charged with the task of forging links with industry in Telford and throughout the county.

Almost 1,500 part-time and full-time students doing degree and postgraduate courses are already registered with the university, which is scheduled to expand to 2,500 students by the turn of the century through two more phases of development.

> Shropshire offered a campus amid greenfields and trees

The creation of the University in Shropshire realises the ambitions of Telford new town's planners who, more than 25 years ago, expressed the hope that the fledgeling community would eventually support a higher academic institution.

It has come to fruition largely as a result of plans conceived by the University of Wolverhampton — then a polytechnic — which sought new space for expansion to cope with a ten per cent annual increase in its numbers.

The university has two campuses in Wolverhampton and two more in Dudley and Walsall, all within the Black Country conurbation, and its administrators decided that expansion could best be achieved by going further west into Shropshire, where there was a distinct lack of higher educational provision.

Lesley Rayner, the university's development executive, said: "There has always been a gap in provision to the west. Shropshire offered opportunities of a campus amid greenfields and trees; such things are not thick on the ground in Wolverhampton."

The university acquired the 23-acre site from the former Telford Development Corporation, and the campus began to take shape when the Education Department and the European Regional Development Fund put money into the project to support the university's own investment in the development. The overall cost will eventually rise to about £30 million.

Of the university's ten faculties, humanities and social sciences, education, computing and information technology, the enterprise section of the business school and engineering will be represented in Shropshire.

Mrs Rayner said the Shropshire campus would be developed largely as a regional or sub-regional centre, with a high degree of part-time mature students from Shropshire and the Black Country — people seeking a second chance to gain higher educational and vocational qualifications.

Full-time courses already available include degree-level business studies, accounting and finance, European business studies and tourism management, plus a social work diploma, and part-time programmes in business enterprise, personnel management and computing.

The University of Wolverhampton is one of the largest in Britain, with over 500 academic staff and about 20,000 students now registered on its five campuses or on distance-learning programmes.

— Its administrators regard the Shropshire development as offering a huge opportunity to promote its academic research and consultancy expertise to the business community.

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Good sites for investors' eyes

Telford is proud of its huge area of top-grade development land

A major attraction for Telford's incoming investors is that 40 per cent of the top-grade development land available in the West Midlands region — 2,000 acres for industrial and residential use owned by the Commission for the New Towns (CNT) — lies within the town's boundaries.

Chris Mackrell, CNT's West Midlands director, says the huge landbank will handsomely sustain the new town's strategy for continued growth into the next century.

Available land is split evenly between residential sites and serviced greenfield locations — the majority with outline planning permission — for industrial development.

He points to the 96-acre Telford Science and Technology Park on CNT land as evidence of the high-quality developments that have continued to take place in the new town. The new £6 million project at Nedge Hill is targeted to attract "mid-tech" and "high-tech" firms from home and overseas on to its network of 18 landscaped greenfield sites that have been prepared by the Government-backed agency.

The first occupier of the largely speculative development is the Taiwanese computer manufacturer, Mitac Europe, which first started trading in Telford in leased premises, but has now moved to a purpose-built 42,000 sq ft European headquarters on the site. Two further phases of expansion are planned to more than double the size of the facility, and the company has an option to buy another 10 acres from CNT.

The park development, set in 40 acres of mature woodland landscape, is supported by the Telford Development Agency, the University in Shropshire — a new Telford-based campus of the University of Wolverhampton — and the Rubber and Plastics Research Association (RAPRA) and British Polymer Training Association (BPTA), which both have centres nearby.

Mr Mackrell says their involvement will increase hopes that the science and technology development will become a centre for a wide range of companies committed to research and development and technology transfer links with the new university campus.

"Every town wants more high-tech companies," he said, "and Telford is no exception, but we are not forgetting the hundreds of mid-tech businesses that combine research and marketing to sell proven technology; companies that offer excellent prospects for long-term employment."

Industrial land of the kind comprising the new park is fetching prices between £120,000 and £140,000 an acre in Telford while residential sites are being sold at up to £200,000 an acre.

Mr Mackrell said housing land sold steadily throughout the recession to meet the demands of the new town's young and growing population, and this year an estimated 450 new homes will be completed on land sold by CNT to developers. The signs are also encouraging for industrial property.

The CNT is to give Wrekin district council, Telford's local authority, eight acres of land through the Invest in Success scheme, including a town-centre site for a proposed 1,200-seat theatre, which it hopes will attract private finance. Under the competition arrangement, CNT is also putting up three acres of land on the town's new science and technology park to be marketed as a development for small business units.



Chris Mackrell: upbeat

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Employee incentives 'profiting companies'

BY PHILIP BASSETT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

MORE companies are introducing profit-sharing and other financial participation schemes, leading to better-motivated employees, new evidence from the Confederation of British Industry suggested yesterday.

Ministers are keen to promote the introduction of employees' financial participation at work, partly to heighten their support for and understanding of the business employing them, and partly to enhance pay flexibility.

A survey carried out by the CBI and Cable and Wireless, the telecommunications company, showed that nearly two-thirds of a sample of 300 companies questioned are operating some form of financial participation scheme.

Annual cash bonuses are the most widespread schemes used, of those which do not require formal government approval, with 86 per cent of those with any kind of scheme taking this route. Of schemes needing approval by the Inland Revenue, executive share options are the most popular.

Ninety-three per cent of those operating schemes ran them in addition to current pay, while only 19 per cent used them to replace existing pay methods. As many as 84 per cent said participation schemes formed 10 per cent or less of their paybill costs.

Robbie Gilbert, the CBI's director of employment affairs, said: "Financial participation and variable pay are spreading quickly. It could become a significant economic advantage as the paybill may begin to adjust more quickly to changing economic circumstances in the future."

Financial participation schemes are not without their problems, with two-fifths of the companies surveyed citing as one difficulty the fact that the schemes paid too little in bad trading conditions. But 75 per cent said that the schemes had positively increased employees' motivation.

Fiona Colquhoun, C&W human resources director, said the survey's findings confirmed that financial participation was a "significant contributor" to employee motivation. For the Government, Philip Oppenheim, employment minister, said of the findings yesterday: "Employees are increasingly aware of how their interests coincide with those of their employers and that they share responsibility for the success of their business. Financial participation makes that relationship very explicit."

Talks signal Sino-US co-operation

JIANG Zemin, the Chinese President, yesterday met Alan Greenspan, chairman of the US Federal Reserve, and said he hoped co-operation between the Fed and Chinese financial institutions would be strengthened, an official report said.

Mr Greenspan also met Zhu Rongji, the Chinese Vice Premier, who is governor of the People's Bank of China. The official Xinhua News Agency quoted Mr Greenspan as saying he favoured increased co-operation between the central banks and that the Fed was willing to offer assistance in China's reform of its monetary system.



A trader at the Sydney Futures Exchange reacts yesterday to the one percentage point rise in the official cash interest rate to 6.5 per cent, announced by the Reserve Bank of Australia. The rise followed a three-quarter point increase announced on August 17

Consumer confidence slips

BY JANET BUSH, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

CONSUMER confidence has slipped again this month, according to the latest Gallup Poll conducted on behalf of the European Commission. A quarter of those questioned thought the general economic situation would improve over the next year but 32 per cent believed that it would deteriorate, giving a negative balance of 7 per cent. In September, the negative balance was 3 per cent and in August, the month before base rates were increased, 1 per cent.

This month, 34 per cent said it was the right time to make a major purchase such as a washing machine or television set, against 30 per cent who said it was the wrong one.

On employment expectations, pessimists still outnumbered optimists but by the smallest margin since September 1989.

Crest backed by 69 institutions

BY PATRICIA TEHAN
BANKING CORRESPONDENT

THE Bank of England has said that, from Thursday this week, 69 financial institutions will own the company that will run the Crest paperless share settlement system.

Seventy two firms had said that they would help finance CrestCo, but three of the smaller players, Gall & Eke, Seymour Pierce & Butterfield, and Sobhag Stockbroking, pulled out this week.

The others will put in £12 million needed for the initial financing, which includes the cost of the Bank's design work and the building stage up to the end of next year. Crest is due to be up and running by the second half of 1996.

There are four tiers of ownership, ranging from an initial £390,000 investment to £30,000.

There will be an extraordinary meeting on Thursday, when the company articles and memorandum will be formally adopted.

The advisory committee, which is already operating, makes the business decisions for Crest, while the Bank controls its design.



Kent: vital project

Once the Bank has built Crest, CrestCo will take over operation of the system.

The new owners of CrestCo are subscribing for redeemable fixed dividend shares with a nominal value of £250, issued at £500 each. The Bank revealed yesterday that the fixed dividend has been set to give the initial holders of CrestCo shares a return of 4 percentage points above the gross redemption yield on the 8¾ per cent Treasury Stock of 2017, as at today.

Future shareholders, coming in two years after the start of live operations, will get a reduced return of 2 percentage points.

The first dividend will be payable no later than 18 months after the start of live operations.

Pen Kent, an executive director of the Bank, said that Crest was "a project that has a vital role to play in modernising the settlement infrastructure of the United Kingdom. By subscribing for shares in CrestCo, these 69 institutions are not only providing finance for the project, but are demonstrating their commitment to support and use the system when it is completed".

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Austria Sch	18.18	16.68
Belgium Fr	53.46	49.06
Canada $	2.305	2.145
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Denmark Kr	10.16	9.36
Finland Mrk	8.09	7.39
France Fr	8.86	8.16
Germany Dm	2.60	2.39
Greece Dr	391.00	366.00
Hong Kong $	13.21	12.21
Ireland Pt	1.06	0.98
Italy Lira	2585.00	2430.00
Japan Yen	173.50	156.50
Malta	0.619	0.584
Netherlds Gld	2.857	2.657
Norway Kr	11.22	10.42
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Spain Pta	211.00	197.00
Sweden Kr	12.24	11.44
Switzerland Fr	2.16	2.00
Turkey Lira	refer	55708.0
USA $	1.724	1.594

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Kermans' stake sold to firm in Singapore

THE Kerman family has sold its 24.88 per cent stake in Bristol Scotts, the restaurant and property development company it has run for more than 50 years, to a company based in Singapore.

Bryan Burletson, the founder of Clayform Properties, who says he is a friend and partner of the Jumabhoy family of Singapore, said that the acquisition was an investment. There were no plans to make a bid for the company.

The acquisition was made by Greenpark Investments Guernsey, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Scotts Holdings, the Jumabhoy family's property group that is unconnected with Bristol Scotts. Greenpark paid £3.16 million, or 188p a share, for 24.88 per cent of the voting shares and its entire voting capital, giving it 26.97 per cent in the group.

Mr Burletson said Greenpark would take its stake to 29.99 per cent next week, buying "off the market". He said Scotts was likely to seek board representation on Bristol Scotts, and if that were successful, he was likely to become a director. He had not had an opportunity to discuss the acquisition with Sir Ian Rankin, the chairman.

Sir Ian took over last month, when Andy Kerman was ousted by rebel directors. Mr Kerman had taken control in July 1992 after his father, Isidore Kerman, stepped down.

HIV test drug recalled

BY SARAH BAGNALL

HOECHST, the German chemicals group, is recalling its HIV test drug Enzygnost after it failed a blood sample test. The worldwide recall was said to have been ordered by the Federal Agency for Sera and Vaccines and was triggered after a test of a blood sample in June failed to recognise HIV antibodies.

The City said the cost of the recall would not be significant as the drug's usage is limited. The drug is estimated to be used by about 400 Aids patients.

Peter McDougall, an analyst at Barclays de Zoete Wedd, said: "This is an experimental drug. The company knows exactly which doctors are prescribing the drug. It will not be costly to recall."

The company has the right to appeal against the Federal Agency for Sera and Vaccines' decision.

Pearson confirms Future acquisition

PEARSON, the media group, has confirmed the acquisition of Future Publishing, a privately owned publisher of consumer magazines, for £52.5 million. The deal will earn more than £30 million for Chris Anderson, 37, who founded Future in 1985. His company has 34 titles, including computer magazines such as SegaPower, Gamesmaster and Amiga Format. Mr Anderson is leaving to pursue other opportunities. However, the rest of the senior management are staying with the firm, which employs 400 people.

Future's sales for the year to April were £44.5m and pre-tax profits were £1.9m after a £2.1 million charge for launching new titles and closing others. Mr Anderson started the business with a £15,000 loan and began by publishing a magazine for users of Amstrad computers.

Iberia needs wage cuts

IBERIA, the Spanish airline, said it would be insolvent by March if it failed to reach agreement with employees on implementing a radical cost-cutting plan to curb huge losses. The airline, which made a loss of 69 billion pesetas (£340 million) last year, is asking for wage cuts averaging 15 per cent as part of a restructuring plan. Unions have threatened to strike next month if the company does not pay 12 billion pesetas it owes in back pay.

Germans' 6% pay claim

IG CHEMIE, the German chemical workers' union, plans to claim a pay rise of between 5 and 6 per cent next year for its 700,000 members. The recommendation issued yesterday by the main board will be passed to the union's main wages commission. The basic pay rise agreed last year was 2 per cent. In comments given yesterday, Edgar Meister, a Bundesbank board member, highlighted industrial wage policy as a requisite to economic upturn with low inflation.

Exxon's income dips

EXXON, the American natural resources company, saw third-quarter net income fall to $1.155 billion, from $1.36 billion, a year ago, when there was a one-off gain of $306 million from tax credits and asset sales. Revenue rose to $29.56 billion ($27.92 billion). Exxon said that worldwide crude prices rose slightly, but industry refining margins edged lower. Natural gas earnings were affected by lower prices in America. Earnings per share were 92 cents ($1.09).

Guinness Mahon post

GILES Shepard, who was ousted from his job as managing director from the Savoy hotel group last month, has accepted a non-executive directorship of Guinness Mahon's merchant banking subsidiary. Mr Shepard will continue as non-executive director of Kleinwort Benson Development Fund. He is also a director of London First, the lobby group whose aim is to make London the place to do business.

BZW Trust raises £78m

BZW Commodities Trust, the first investment company of its kind to be listed on the stock market in London, has raised £78 million through a placing and offer, with applications for a total of 78.15 million shares at 100p a share plus warrants on a one-for-five basis. All applications have been allocated in full and dealings in the shares and the associated warrants will begin on Thursday. The company offers investors access to a range of commodities.

Cullen's advances

THE continuing popularity of its upmarket convenience stores helped lift pre-tax profits at Cullen's Holdings to £114,000 from £18,000 in the six months to August 28. The bottom line also benefited from the absence of losses at its Reds Chicken & Ribs fast food business, which was abandoned earlier this year. The group is now focused on its neighbourhood food stores, where profits rose by 29 per cent. Again there is no interim dividend.

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SFO takes Walker rap

☐ THEY should have got life. Not George Walker and Wilfred Aquilina, of course, cleared yesterday of fraud after yet another long-running Serious Fraud Office prosecution came unstuck at Southwark Crown Court. But someone should have thrown the book at the dunderheads at the SFO who loaded another ruinously expensive blunderbuss and fired it off in all directions to no great effect.

The George Walker trial was the latest in a discreditable run of disasters for the SFO and the legal system. While such courtroom dramas will always have the public queueing at the turnstiles, the money might be more cheaply and effectively have been disbursed to the Arts Council rather than to a raft of lawyers.

The affair arose out of the collapse of George Walker's leisure and property empire after years of expansion when it apparently defied gravity, in share price terms. The SFO's allegation was that the cash at the heart of the group's continuing run of profits, themselves used to fund breakneck expansion, was never there in the first place.

Some facts are incontrovertible. The whole Brent Walker edifice was indeed built on sand, as some in the City had always suspected. Mr Walker's submission, put forward regularly and well remembered by those who were there at the time, was that the City institutions were motivated entirely by snobbery. They shunned him and his company, he said, both because of his working class background and in the knowledge of a barely remembered theft charge against him dating back to the early 1950s.

But it must be said that most of the City was not shy of dealing with Brent Walker when there were fat fees on offer from the rash of deals the company carried out. The accounting rules have been changed since, and it is unlikely that Brent Walker profits, stated in accordance with today's standards, would have looked the same. When the expansion wheel stopped turning, of course, the profits from ongoing businesses that hit the recession head-on were not enough to cover the debt.

All this is a critique of City practice in the 1980s and has nothing to do with recent events at Southwark Crown Court. The jury has clearly found that Mr Walker was not in breach of those accounting rules, and his associate only barely so.

But Brent Walker, undeniably, did collapse. The question now is whether the SFO was right in mustering up the awful majesty of the criminal law in addressing this fact, and the benefit of hindsight, along with the experience of Blue Arrow, Guinness II and other costly debacles, suggests it was not. The average jury is all at sea with financial scandals. But as Mr Walker rightly points out, to rely on a judge alone might well have resulted in a manifest unjustice, in that a judge's decision might have run opposite to that reached by a properly constituted jury.

East Midlands circuit breaker

☐ IF YOU have broken your leg a couple of times running for a train, the notion of tying both ankles together to avoid the temptation again must begin to look attractive. East Midlands Electricity, having made a complete hash of diversifying out of its core business, has now financially hobbled any future

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management that may be inclined to expand unwisely in future.

At the same time, the company's ability to negotiate past the authorities its 85p-a-share special dividend paying a cut to the taxman will attract great interest from other businesses long on cash but short on expansion ideas. The formal documents from East Midlands are likely to be studied with particular care by, for example, the finance directors of GUS or GEC, both of whose share prices, oddly enough, were rising yesterday against the market trend.

The hand of Nigel Rudd, East Midlands chairman and the man who oversaw the stable-cleansing and £130 million of provisions that followed the departure of John Harris, his predecessor, is easy to discern in yesterday's hand-out. Mr Rudd's main business, Williams Holdings, has now settled down to a more sedate life as an integrated conglomerate after a few hair-raising corporate twists and turns in the late 1980s. Few know as much as Mr Rudd about the dangers of going a deal too far, and it is a pity that circumstances limited his say over East Midlands' strategy in the days of heady expansion.

The defensive attractions of yesterday's hand-out should not be overlooked — banks with empty vaults are always the least attractive to robbers. The unanswered question remains over East Midlands' share consolidation, which will leave 22 shares for every 25 now in issue. Although the company will not comment on future dividend policy, the claim is that this is a tidying-up exercise for employees on its share-save scheme. If it proves otherwise it would give the management another opportunity to push up shareholder value, by raising dividends at the forthcoming interim reporting season by the sector average on share capital reduced by the consolidation.

Weinstock sharpens his trident

☐ A DECISION by Lord Weinstock and his colleagues at GEC on whether to launch a counter bid for VSEL, currently the subject of an agreed takeover by BAe, is expected within a matter of days.

GEC, along with advisers Lazards, has been in possession of VSEL's vital statistics for more than a week and, with the Takeover Panel's clock already ticking over BAe's sortie, news from the "bona fide potential offeror" would appear imminent.

Bearing in mind VSEL's cash rich qualities, it is not Lord Weinstock's traditional dread of black holes that is likely to prove decisive but rather the outcome of GEC's inevitable soundings at the Ministry of Defence and the Office of Fair Trading. Should GEC choose to enter the VSEL fray, BAe would clearly play the competition card, the argument being that a GEC/VSEL amalgam would eliminate competition between the Barrow and Yarrow shipyards: the only two UK yards capable of building big warships. More to the point, BAe would argue that a GEC/VSEL deal would effectively give GEC control of whole ship prime contractorship and the supply of major naval platforms.

Whether Lord Chalfont, chairman of VSEL, would argue as vehemently as BAe is less certain: a matter which might be influenced by the scale of any premium on offer from GEC. That said, the OFT may well take its cue from the Ministry of Defence and it is GEC's Whitehall soundings which will prove crucial. What the market is no longer betting on is a GEC bid for BAe: unchanged at 470p.

The Harrods tapes

☐ TINY Rowland is understandably "staggered" that his lunch discussion with Mohammed Al-Fayed was tape-recorded but stresses he bears "no animosity" towards his former adversary in the quest for Harrods. All the same, Rowland challenges Fayed to produce an "unedited" version of their 90-minute *tête-à-tête*. A good job the duo have buried the hatchet, otherwise trust might wear a little thin.

Float-bound EVC forecasts dramatic return to profit

BY NEIL BENNETT, DEPUTY BUSINESS EDITOR

THE flotation of EVC International, Europe's largest manufacturer of PVC, which is being sold by ICI and EniChem of Italy, will value the company at up to 1.2 billion guilders (£438 million), the pathfinder prospectus discloses. The disposal is expected to generate about £68 million for ICI.

The company has also forecast that it will make a dramatic return to profits this year, because of the rising price of PVC and an upturn in demand. The company expects to make an operating profit of 90.3 million guilders this year, against a loss of 76.2 million guilders last year, and combined losses of more than 400 million guilders in the past three years. Turnover is expected to rise by 19 per cent, to 2.3 billion guilders.

EVC yesterday announced that its shares will be priced at between 70 and 80 guilders when floated on the Amsterdam stock market next month. This will value the company at between 1 billion and 1.2 billion guilders, slightly below initial estimates.

ICI and EniChem, EVC's joint owners, plan to reduce their combined stake to less than 50 per cent. EVC is also issuing new shares to raise about 300 million guilders to repay borrowings. The company says that it would be paying a 2.1 guilder dividend for 1994 if it had been a public company all year.

EVC was created in 1986 by a merger of EniChem's and ICI's PVC interests in Britain, Germany and Italy. The company now has 19 per cent of the European market. In preparation for flotation, the company has appointed as chairman Baron Frederik Collot d'Escury, former head of Akzo's chemicals group.

The company is having to restate its figures before the float and is making a 449 million guilder asset write-down and goodwill write-off. Under its previous accounting system, it reported an operating profit of 130 million guilders last year thanks to financial support from its parent companies. EVC will stay heavily reliant on ICI and EniChem after flotation, since they have signed contracts to supply 90 per cent of its raw materials.

Last Friday, Greenpeace criticised the float on the grounds that the burning of PVC releases dioxins, toxic chlorine compounds. In response, EVC's pathfinder prospectus says that the company has an active programme to comply with environmental laws and that it does not consider PVC harmful to consumers or the environment.

As a safeguard to some environmental risks, EVC has been given indemnities by ICI and EniChem, which will contribute up to DM60 million to cleaning up EVC sites for up to eight years after the float.

EVC admitted that it had recently found CFC gases to be leaking from the cooling system of its plant at Wilhelmshaven, Germany. It says it is providing a CFC-free system.



Parting of the ways: One year after EFG, the garden centre and horticultural products group, raised £3 million through a rights issue, Robin Garland, chief executive (pictured above), expects a change of corporate direction (Martin Barrow writes). The company says that while no suitable acquisitions have been found within its present sphere of activity, the disposal of unwanted assets is complete and it wants to invest in new activities, which will give an acceptable return on investments.

The company yesterday announced a decline in profits to £615,000 in the half-year to July 31 from £804,000 on reduced turnover of £6.5 million, down from £10 million. Earnings were 1.3p a share, down from 3p, with an additional 31 million shares in issue after the cash call.

RA drug test trial boosts Celltech

BY SARAH BAGNALL

CELLTECH Group, the fledgling biotechnology company, yesterday revealed better than expected trial results for a drug to treat rheumatoid arthritis, a disease that causes pain, swelling and destruction of joints and affects 500,000 people in the UK and more than 2 million in the US. The company conducted initial phase two tests of the drug, CDP571, which is being developed with Bayer, on 36 people with severe RA. All had failed to respond to at least three other treatments.

They were given a single injection at three different doses in a double-blind placebo-controlled study.

The onset of the drug's effects was very rapid and the benefit lasted longer than expected.

The findings were presented yesterday to the American College of Rheumatology National Scientific meeting in Minneapolis. A wider study will now follow into optimum dosages.

Dr Peter Fellner, chief executive, said: "The market for people with severe RA is probably worth well in excess of £1 billion. But that is just for patients with severe RA."

Celltech's shares rose 5p to 214p.

Maxted quits Pillar board

BY CARL MORTISHED

ROBERT Maxted, largely responsible for building up Pillar Property, is resigning from the board only two months after the company came to the market in a £170 million flotation.

Pillar said yesterday that Mr Maxted was leaving to seek other opportunities because his role as property director had not fully met his expectations.

Mr Maxted said that he had previously been chief executive but accepted the post of property director when Raymond Mould and Patrick Vaughan, the company's founders and respectively chairman and chief executive, returned from Brussels to head the flotation team. He added: "The role I accepted turned out not to be as challenging as I hoped it would be."

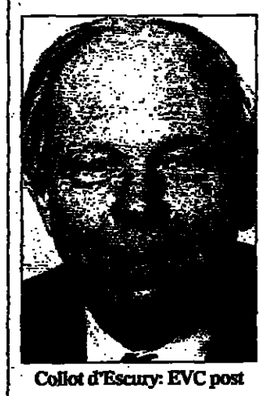
Mr Mould said he was disappointed, but not surprised, by Mr Maxted's decision. "We are sorry that he has decided his future lies elsewhere."

City property specialists were surprised at the low profile of Mr Maxted when Pillar launched its flotation marketing campaign. He is regarded as the architect of the group's £300 million-plus portfolio during the period when the company's founders were abroad. It is believed that he felt constrained in adopting a more subordinate role. Mr Maxted, who is leaving Pillar at the end of December, is thought to be in search of a new property vehicle to take public.

Mr Mould said that the decision to leave Pillar had been entirely Mr Maxted's and that no compensation would be paid to him.

Pillar's portfolio of 26 properties was acquired in the depths of recession with the financial backing of its shareholders, which included Electra Investment Trust and the General Electric pension fund in the US. The strength of the portfolio was said to be the reason behind the success of Pillar's flotation. The public offer was subscribed five times after previous property offers had flopped owing to fears over interest rates and overheating in the market.

Since the flotation, Pillar has set up a retail property joint venture with a Quebec pension fund group and made a bid for the Blackfriars site of the Mermaid Theatre in London.



Collot d'Escury: EVC post

APV action fails to halt share slide

BY MARTIN BARROW, CITY NEWS EDITOR

SHARES in APV, the manufacturer of equipment for the food and drink industry, fell 6½p to a new low of 61p despite a denial that it was in danger of breaching banking covenants.

The company moved swiftly yesterday to allay fears that large provisions against the restructuring of its liquid foods division would cause a technical breach of net asset value and interest cover levels set out in its banking covenants. The provisions, which have not yet been formally quantified, could range between £20 million and £50 million, analysts estimate.

Gerard Tyler, group treasury manager, said that on current projections, APV expected to stay within its covenants. Once the company had quantified the charge, it would talk to its bankers "if it was necessary" before making a provision in its year-end results, he said.

Renewed fears about the company's uncertain prospects were triggered by comments by Zafan Khan, an analyst at Société Générale, who said the company would be "on tenterhooks" until the year-end. "It is a very tricky situation for them," he said.

Mr Khan said a restructuring charge of as little as £20 million, at the lower end of City expectations, could put the company in breach of covenants on net asset value and interest cover. Mr Khan said he understood the net asset value set out in the covenants was about £110 million and the interest cover was about 2½ to 3 times.

The company had net assets of £129 million at the half-year stage. He said any breach of interest cover covenants would depend on whether the restructuring provision was taken "above or below the line". A breach of covenants on net asset value or interest cover would put the group at the mercy of its banks, Mr Khan said.

The banks could also force the company to make further asset sales, but this would leave group strategy in disarray as remaining operations were "well-integrated".

Last week, Clive Strowger resigned as chief executive of APV "by mutual agreement". His departure came soon after the company's decision to cut the interim dividend to conserve cash for the restructuring, the cost of which will leave the company with an overall loss for the year.

Bula agrees Russian takeover

BY CARL MORTISHED

BULA Resources, the Irish oil exploration group, is taking control of a quoted Russian company that owns four fields in western Siberia, estimated to contain reserves totalling 500 million barrels of oil, worth some $263 million.

In the first takeover for shares of a Russian oil company, Bula has agreed to acquire a 51 per cent interest in Aki-Otyr from its parent, Russian Transcontinental Financial and Industrial Corporation (Russian Corporation). Bula is buying an option over the controlling stake for $5.5 million, plus an 8 per cent stake in Bula's enlarged share capital. Exercise of the option would lift the Russian Corporation's stake in Bula to 26 per cent and the total investment by Bula to $25 million.

Bula, which yesterday announced a loss of Ir £1.9 million for the year to December 31, is placing Ir £2 million of shares and raising Ir £12 million in an open offer to shareholders to fund the deal.

Jim Stanley, chief executive, said that foreign companies were not allowed to control Russian natural resource assets, but Russian Corporation's 26 per cent interest in Bula plus the addition of three Russians to the Irish company's board is enough to change the perception. "They will exercise very significant influence over the company, sufficient for the Russian Federation to feel it can be regarded as a Russian company," he said.

Mr Stanley said that the initial fields to be developed were not more than 8.5 miles from a pipeline, reducing the cost of export, and the entire project costs would be low, in the region of $70 million. First production from the fields should be within six months, he said. Bula has been negotiating the deal since May, and, according to Mr Stanley, did extensive due diligence to establish ownership of assets and Aki-Otyr's financial health. "No Russian company is audited to the standards of a Western company," he said. "We will be conducting a proper audit."

The attraction of the Siberian assets is low-cost production, with Bula estimating uplift costs of only about $1.50 per barrel, but export tax could take as much as $5 under the current fiscal regime.

Bula has promised much but delivered little, with pre-tax losses since 1988 and a long legal dispute with Tara Mines, an Irish mineral company. Bula shares resumed trading yesterday, closing at 3½p.

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STOCK MARKET  MICHAEL CLARK

East Midlands Electricity sets rivals' shares alight

NOT even the prospect of a spate of share buy-back programs could whet investors appetites as the equity market gave up early an lead to finish lower on the day.

East Midlands Electricity set pulses racing by confirming reports that it intends to spend its cash reserve of £186.5 million paying a special interim dividend, of 85p a share. It also intends to consolidate the number of shares in issue into 22 shares for every 25 shares previously held.

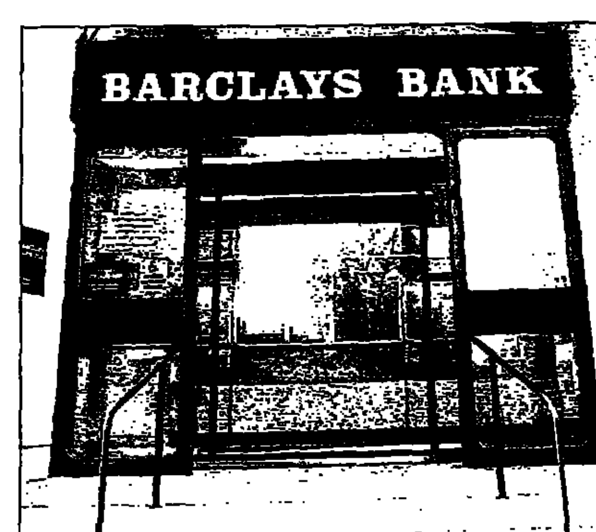
But East Midland followed the announcement by going ex-dividend thereby preventing would-be shareholders from taking advantage of the offer. Calculating the dividend to be paid also proved a headache for brokers and was another reason why the price ended 45p lower on the day at 666p as almost 2.5 million changed hands.

The move by East Midlands contrasts with most of its rivals which have used their spare cash to buy back shares. It said it itends to maintain the flexibility of buying back up to 10 per cent of its equity.

Needless to say, the announcement focused attention on the rest of the sector although a number of the RECs have already spent any spare cash they possesed buying back their own shares. Gains were recorded **Eastern**, 17p to 756p, **London**, 15p to 704p, **Midlands**, 6p to 735p, **Norweb**, 17p to 779p, **Northern**, 8p to 780p, **Seeboard**, 10p to 410p, **South West** 15p to 743p, **South Wales**, 14p to 780p, **Southern**, 25p to 751p, and **Yorkshire**, 29p to 715p.

Share buy-back fever also spread to the banks following weekend speculation that a number of the high street operators were ready to spend as much as £2 billion buying back their own shares, or by paying a special dividend. The spotlight fell on **TSB Group**, up 4p at 225p and **Barclays**, unchanged at 572p, after briefly touching 585p.

The speculation follows claims by Smith New Court, the broker, a few weeks back that either Barclays or TSB could by likely candidates for a share buy back operation in order to reduce spare capital. But both companies last night were playing down the suggestion. TSB said there no immediate plans for such a move, while a spokesperson for Barclays said: "We feel it's a bit premature and have no plans to ask for shareholder approval. We've certainly nothing up our sleeve".



Shares buy-back talk gave Barclays an early lift

NatWest Securities, the broker, was yesterday telling clients to add to their holdings in the sector while rival Credit Lyonnais Laing remains positive about Barclays but is a seller of TSB.

Elsewhere investors could find little to cheer about. An early 20 point mark-up on the back of the excitement centering on the RECs and banks was eventually frittered away. Dealers reported an absence of any follow-through which was reflected in the low turnover of just 456 million shares.

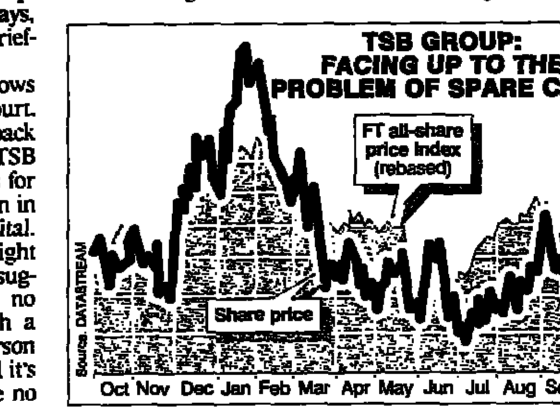
Among the leaders, **Smith-Kline Beecham** dipped 8p to 411p on talk that the US Food and Drug Administration was looking at its recent acquisition of DPS Pharmaceuticals.

BICC was another faller dropping 13p to 333p. Its Balfour Beatty construction arm is one of the lead contracters working on the collapsed Heathrow tunnel.

Rank Organisation firmed 2p to 415p ahead of third quarter figures from Xerox Corporation on Thursday. Xerox and Rank jointly own Rank Xerox. On Friday, Rank is expected to issue a trading statement giving a rundown of current prospects.

English China Clays finished 14p down at 336p as the shares went ex-dividend. Dealers say sentiment was also undermined by Smith New Court which has switched its recommendation from a buy to a hold.

WELLCOME fell 24p to 627p as Goldman Sachs, the US securities house, reiterated its sell recommendation. Analyst Paul Krikler is worried about growth potential as the patent on Zovirax, the anti-herpes treatment, begins to expire. He says that based on Wellcome's 1994 rating, the shares are overvalued.



Moss Bros, the formal menswear group, climbed 37p to 375p cheered by better than expected interim figures showing pre-tax profits trebled at £1.92 million on turnover 18 per cent higher at £30 million. The group also made positive noises about the traditionally stronger second half which had started well. Same store sales were 15 per cent ahead and gross margins were maintained. Two new stores were opened in the first half and the group expects to open a further five before the year end.

The lacklustre performance by the rest of the equity market made the debut performance of **Filtronic Comtek**, the mobile telephone equipment manufacturer, that much more impressive. The shares placed by Panmure Gordon, the broker, at 105p touched 117p before ending the day at 113p, a premium of 8p.

Bristol Scotts, the restaurant chain was steady at 200p as a near 25 per cent stake in the company changed hands. Greenpark Investments Guernsey, a subsidiary of Scotts Holdings, the Singapore-based property group, has paid £3.16 million for Isadore Kerman's family holding. This raises its total holding to £26.97 per cent.

Shares of **Bula Resources** returned from suspension unchanged at 3½p following the acquisition of a 51 per cent stake in four Russian oil fields. To help finance the deal the group is arranging a placing of new shares.

□ **GILT EDGED:** Gilts marked time for much of the day ahead of tomorrow's auction and Friday's US GDP numbers. But prices suffered a late fall mirroring similar losses in US T-bond and German bunds as investors continued to ponder the implications of inflation and a weaker dollar.

The December series of the long gilt closed at its lower for the day in thin trading which saw only 23,000 contracts completed. It ended £19/32 down at £100 9/16. The longer end of the cashmarket bore the brunt of losses with Treasury 9 per cent 2012 losing £5/8 at £103 5/16, while in shorts Treasury 9½ per cent 1999 finished £3/16 off at £102 15/16.

□ **NEW YORK:** Shares were lower at midday after early gains in the blue chips evaporated. The Dow Jones industrial average was down 7.07 points at 3,884.23.

MAJOR INDICES

New York (midday):	
Dow Jones	3884.23 (-7.07)
S&P Composite	464.17 (-0.72)
Tokyo:	
Nikkei Average	19852.37 (-46.71)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	9364.29 (+25.70)
Amsterdam:	
EOE Index	401.33 (+1.48)
Sydney:	
AO	2037.4 (+2.7)
Frankfurt:	
DAX	2025.38 (+3.16)
Singapore:	
Straits	2376.86 (-0.59)
Brussels:	
General	7148.28 (-9.63)
Paris:	
CAC-40	1841.59 (-0.50)
Zurich:	
SKA Gen	642.60 (+3.70)
London:	
FT 30	2325.2 (-8.5)
FT 100	3029.1 (-3.7)
FT-SE Mid 250	3500.2 (-2.2)
FT-SE Eurotrack 100	1312.32 (+7.57)
FT A All-Share	1510.76 (-1.53)
FT Non Financials	1632.58 (-2.18)
FT Gold Mines	287.60 (-3.30)
FT Fixed Interest	107.94 (-0.11)
FT Govt Secs	90.94 (-0.35)
Bargains	22654
SEAQ Volume	456.3m
USM (Datastrm)	157.26 (+0.13)
US$	1.6280 (+0.0009)
German Mark	2.4371 (+0.0026)
Exchange Index	80.4 (same)
Bank of England official close (4pm)	
£:ECU	1.2747
£:SDR	1.0921
RPI	145.0 Sep (2.2%) Jan 1987=100

RECENT ISSUES

APTA Health Wts	5	...
Artesian Estates	67	-1
Cont'l Foods Wts	1¼	...
Ennemix (63)	67	...
Filtronic Comtek	113	...
Games Workshop (115)	126	...
Group Dv Cap Wts	28	...
Hambros Sml Asian	59	...
Hambros Smlr As Wts	28	...
Mackie Intl (180)	183	...
Man ED & F (180)	163	-1
Prolific Inc	480	...
Servisair (135)	147	+1
Templeton Emerg New	363	-1
Templeton Emerg Wts	185	-2
Whitchurch	61	+1
Wrexham Water	340	...
Wrexham Water NV	320	...

RIGHTS ISSUES

APTA Healthcare n/p (17)	¼	...
Cattles n/p (118)	11	...
Dragon Oil n/p (Ir4p)	¼	...
Reckitt & Clmn n/p (500)	60	...
Sidlaw n/p (180)	9	...
Smurfit (J) n/p (Ir330p)	42	-3
World of Leather n/p (75)	1½	...

MAJOR CHANGES

RISES:	
Adam & Harvey	498p (+10p)
Moss Bros	375p (+37p)
Mitel	222p (+16p)
Micro Focus	910p (+42p)
FALLS:	
BICC	333p (-13p)
Wolseley	733p (-19p)
Thorn EMI	976p (-11p)
Sothebys	775p (-23p)
Wellcome	627p (-24p)

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Opening the vaults

BANKS are not renowned for giving money away so yesterday's chorus of denials from industry about reports that some are planning a share buy-back was predictable. But the fact that such stories can gain credence shows how much has chainged in the banking industry since the recession. Far from being starved of capital and awash with bad debts, the banks' reserves are overflowing. Even Barclays, which was forced to cut its dividend two years ago, had a core capital ratio of 7 per cent at the end of June, compared with the 4 per cent regulatory minimum. As bad debts continue to fall, this embarrassment of riches can only increase.

But there are good reasons why the banks are reluctant to hand this cash back to shareholders. Capital ratios are high at present because lending demand is so weak. As industry's demand for finance recovers, the strain on the banks' reserves will increase. There is also a trend throughout the global banking industry for higher reserves, since almost all successful banks are well capitalised ones. Barclays is keen to regain the AAA rating it held before the recession, since this would cut funding costs. A high rating is also a pre-requisite for a large proportion of blue chip financing.

At present the banks seem keener to distribute their excess capital through dividends, which have been rising at as much as 25 per cent a year. However, the banks distribute the wealth, their shareholders are hardly going to complain. It is a refreshing change from the days when banks needed regular rights issues to fund inflationary loan growth and daft acquisitions.

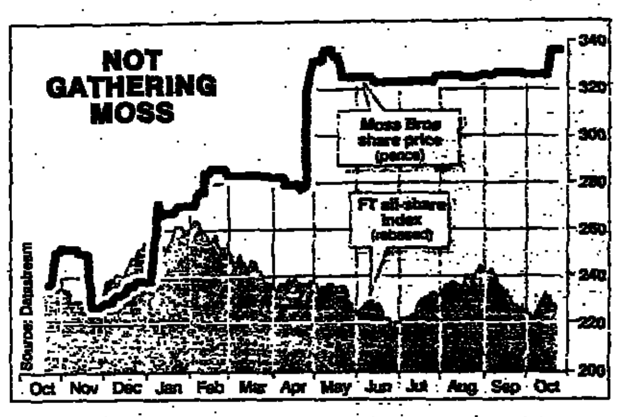
Moss Bros

THE menswear market has been a bloodbath in recent years. While others have fallen by the wayside, Moss Bros has sailed through remarkably unscathed. Sales have risen steadily and gross margins have been maintained.

The group has been a beneficiary of the misfortune of others. Four thousand menswear shops have closed since 1989 and Moss Bros has been quick to pick up the loose business. It has about 7 per cent of the market, compared with less than 5 per cent a few years ago.

But this has been achieved by good management rather than good fortune. Moss has refused to participate in the suicidal price-cutting that has precipitated the demise of some competitors. It has concentrated on building retail brands, targeted on growing demographic groups. The 25-60 age group it serves has grown 30 per cent in the past ten years while the 15-25 age bracket has fallen 15 per cent.

The formula has worked so far, but can it continue? While future profit growth may not be as dramatic, there is still considerable headroom. The group plans to add another 30 stores to its existing 100 outlets over the next two years. This increased critical mass will undoubtedly benefit operating margins, which are already a respectable 5 per cent, but can rise still further. There is clearly more to come but much of the good news is already in the share price.



British Steel

AT first sight, today's expected decision by the European Commission to drop plans to cut steel capacity looks a bitter blow to British Steel, which after difficult restructuring, has transformed itself into one of Europe's most efficient producers.

During 1993, the combined EC and EFTA steel production was 158 million tonnes against a working capacity of 190 million tonnes. The main reason the EC plan is being dropped is that no-one would agree to cut capacity.

Setting aside vested national and regional interests, one very good reason why no-one wanted to cut capacity was that most producers faced a rise in demand, notably for exports to China and America.

Unofficial forecasts for steel production this year are now up to 175 or 180 million tonnes, which, allowing for maintenance shutdowns, is about as close as the steel industry would want to get to full capacity with the risk of overheating spreading to other parts of the economy. This leaves British Steel sitting on efficient production, running close to full capacity, and looking forward to economic recovery in Europe.

Shareholders should not cheer too loudly. They are still invested in a highly cyclical business and the need for capacity cuts in Europe is likely to return with the onset of the next recession.

Bula Resources

WITH huge natural resources, ineffective or absent governments and an emerging class of buccaneering capitalists, the former Soviet Union has developed a distinct resemblance to the Yukon during its gold rush.

The prospect of acquiring tradeable commodities on the cheap has lured Westerners to the FSU. But there are big risks in operating in a country where laws governing private property are new and accounting is conducted on an elementary income and expenditure basis with little supervision. Add to that the hunger of the locals for dollars and it is scarcely surprising that the FSU has acquired the tag "Wild East".

Bula is one of a number of small quoted Irish companies, including Aminex, doing oil deals in Russia. The attractions for the Russians are clear: western Siberia may be floating on black gold but turning it into cash requires dollars, a scarce commodity in Russia. Owning a major stake in a quoted Irish vehicle means access to Western capital markets and hard currency dividends.

For Bula, there is the promise of proven reserves and cheap production, but if major oil companies such as BP and Shell find the political terrain difficult, Bula will be lucky to emerge unscathed.

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COMMODITIES

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE

COCOA

Dec	938-937	Mar	1044-1043
Mar	971-969	May	1055-1054
May	981-980	Jul	1079-1065
Jul	994-993	Sep	1090-1075
Sep	1007-1006		
Dec	1026-1024		Volume: 1424

ROBUSTA COFFEE ($)

Nov	3525-3520	Jul	3440-3420
Jan	3520-3515	Sep	3430-3410
Mar	3470-3460	Nov	3420-3400
May	3460-3442		Volume: 4175

WHITE SUGAR (FOB)

Reuters		Aug	335.4-34.0
Spot: 353.00		Oct	315.4-13.5
Dec	346.8-45.9	Dec	315.2-11.5
Mar	339.4-39.0	Mar	316.7-11.5
May	338.2-37.5		Volume: 256

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION

Average fatstock prices at representative markets on October 21

(p/kg lw)	Pig	Sheep	Cattle
GB:	73.04	90.30	117.74
(+/-)	-0.31	-0.62	-1.34
Eng/Wales:	73.04	89.98	117.95
(+/-)	-0.31	-0.95	-1.48
(%)	+7.0	+15.0	+16.0
Scotland:	unq	92.58	115.03
(+/-)		+1.73	-0.49
(%)		+4.0	-11.0

ICIS-LOR (London 6.00pm)

CRUDE OILS ($/barrel FOB)

Brent Physical	16.45	+0.15
Brent 15 day (Dec)	16.40	+0.10
Brent 15 day (Jan)	16.30	+0.05
W Texas Intermediate (Dec)	17.55	+0.15
W Texas Intermediate (Jan)	17.60	-0.15

PRODUCTS ($/MT)

Spot CIF NW Europe (prompt delivery)

Premium Gas .15	B: 186 (+3)	O: 188 (+3)
Gasoil EEC	152 (n/c)	153 (n/c)
Non EEC 1H Nov	154 (+1)	156 (+1)
Non EEC 1H Dec	155 (n/c)	158 (n/c)
3.5 Fuel Oil	91 (n/c)	92 (n/c)
Naphtha	168 (n/c)	170 (n/c)

IPE FUTURES (GNI Ltd)

GAS OIL

Nov	151.25-51.50	Feb	155.25-55.50
Dec	152.75-53.00	Mar	155.50-55.75
Jan	154.25-54.50		Vol: 10313

BRENT (6.00pm)

Dec	16.37-16.38	Mar	16.18-16.22
Jan	16.29-16.32	Apr	16.16-16.20
Feb	16.26 SLR		Vol: 20245

GNI LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

WHEAT (close £/t)		BARLEY (close £/t)	
Nov	104.50	Nov	101.50
Jan	106.55	Jan	103.80
Mar	108.90	Mar	106.25
May	110.75	May	108.35
Jul	112.65	Sep	93.75
Volume: 316		Volume: 23	

POTATO (£/t)

	Open	Close
Nov	unq	150.0
Apr	218.0	218.5
May	unq	240.0
		Volume: 75

RUBBER (No 1 RSS Cif p/k)

Nov 84.00-84.50

BIFFEX (GNI Ltd $10/pt)

	High	Low	Close
Oct 94	unq	unq	1875
Nov 94	1835	1815	1834
Dec 94	1780	1780	1780
Jan 95	1720	1705	1722
Vol: 73 lots			Open interest: 3191

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LONDON METAL EXCHANGE

(Official) (Volume prev day)	Cash	3mth	Rudolf Wolff Vol
Copper Gde A ($/tonne)	2548.0-2549.0	2545.0-2546.0	1581025
Lead ($/tonne)	647.50-648.00	660.50-661.00	248525
Zinc Spec Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1059.0-1060.0	1081.0-1082.0	357325
Tin ($/tonne)	5445.0-5455.0	5525.0-5535.0	24370
Aluminium Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1723.0-1723.5	1743.5-1744.0	1599025
Nickel ($/tonne)	6823.0-6824.0	6920.0-6921.0	78756

LIFFE OPTIONS

	Series	Calls Oct	Jan	Apr	Puts Oct	Jan	Apr
Alld Dom.	540	38½	—	—	1	—	—
(*575)	580	2	—	—	16½	—	—
Argyll	260	9½	19	26½	1½	14	17½
(*266½)	280	1	8½	17	15½	25	29
ASDA	60	5½	7½	9½	1	3	5
(*64½)	70	1	3	5	7	8½	10½
Boots	500	33½	42	55½	1	8½	16
(*531½)	550	1	19½	28½	20½	39½	40½
Br Airways	360	14	27	38½	2½	15	21
(*371½)	390	1	13½	25	20½	32	37
BP	390	22½	33	41	1	9½	15½
(*410½)	420	2½	15½	25	12	24	30
Br Steel	140	20	23½	27½	1	3	5
(*158½)	160	2	10	16½	3½	10	13
C & W	390	13	30	42½	2	19	26½
(*398½)	420	1	17	29½	25	36½	43
CU	493	38½	51½	57	1	7½	17½
(*528½)	543	1	21	29½	18	29	44
ICI	800	19½	50½	64	2	24	44½
(*815)	850	1	29½	39	38	52	72½
Kingfishr	460	18½	39	52	1	14½	23½
(*476½)	500	1	17	33	25½	35½	44
Land Sec	600	8½	25½	38	3	21	34
(*606)	650	1	7	17½	46½	55	56½
M & S	420	7	23	33	2	13	19½
(*425½)	460	1	6½	15	36	40½	44½
Nat West	460	31½	43½	54½	1	11½	24
(*490)	500	2	23½	32	14	28½	45
Sainsbury	360	32	40½	50½	1	9	13
(*389½)	390	4½	22½	33½	5	22	26
Shell	700	6	30½	38½	5½	21	34½
(*700½)	750	1	9½	18½	52	54	67½
Smkl Bch.	390	24½	34½	41½	1	11½	17
(*412½)	420	2	18	26	9½	25½	31½
Storehse	200	18½	23½	27½	1	4½	9
(*216½)	220	1½	11	16	5½	13½	18
Trafalgar	80	9	11½	14	1	4	5½
(*87)	90	1	6	8½	5½	8½	10½
Unilever	1100	38	63	79½	1	23	38
(*1131½)	1150	2	35	52	23½	47½	64
Zeneca	800	42	68½	77½	1	15	31
(*838)	850	3½	38	50	14½	36½	55
	Series	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
Grnd Met.	390	21	32	39	7	19½	22½
(*401½)	420	6	17½	29½	24	36½	38½
Ladbroke	140	16	22	25	2	5	8
(*151½)	160	4	11½	15	13	14	18½
Utd Bisc	300	12	23	27	8	13½	23
(*301)	330	2½	10½	14½	31½	33½	43

	Series	Calls Oct	Jan	Apr	Puts Oct	Jan	Apr
BAA	500	6½	22½	33½	3½	18	23
(*502½)	525	1	11½	22	26½	33½	37
Thames W	500	19	31	44	1½	19	24
(*516)	550	1	10	22½	36½	49½	53
	Series	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
BAT Ind	420	21½	34½	42½	7½	19½	27
(*430½)	460	5	16	22½	34	38½	51
BTR	300	13	23½	28	7	12½	19½
(*304½)	330	2½	9½	15	28	31½	38½
Br Aero	460	29½	49	58	17	29½	38½
(*469½)	500	12	31	39	41	53	62
Br Telcm	360	29½	33	39½	2	8½	12½
(*384½)	390	8	15	23	12½	23½	26½
Cadbury	420	23	36	41	5	11½	21
(*435)	460	4½	16	21½	29½	33½	43
Guinness	460	12½	27	34	9	17	26½
(*461½)	500	2	11½	16½	41½	44½	52
GEC	280	9½	16	22	6	13	16
(*282)	300	2½	7½	13	20	25	27½
Hanson	220	9	14½	17	5½	11½	13½
(*222½)	240	2	6	8½	19	24	27½
LASMO	134	19	—	—	2	—	—
(*150)	154	5½	—	—	9	—	—
Lucas	180	18	23½	27½	2½	6½	10
(*193)	200	6	12	16½	11½	16	20
Pilkingtn	180	16½	19	25	2½	6½	9½
(*192)	200	4½	8½	14½	12	17½	20½
Prudential	300	11½	22	25	8½	14	22
(*302)	330	2	9	12½	30½	33	41½
Redland	460	17½	34½	42	11½	21½	36
(*462½)	500	4	17	25	41	46	62
Royal Ins	280	12½	22½	29	10½	17½	24
(*280)	300	5	14	20½	24½	29½	36
Tesco	220	19	25½	30	3	6	12
(*233½)	240	6½	13½	19	11½	16	21½
Vodafone	200	9½	16	22	6½	13	16½
(*202)	217	3	8½	—	18	23	—
Williams	325	17	—	—	5	—	—
(*335)	354	3½	—	—	22½	—	—

FT-SE INDEX (*3013)

	2900	2950	3000	3050	3100	3150
Calls						
Nov	148	110	76	49	29	17
Dec	173	138	108	79	57	39
Jan	190	164	136	106	83	62
Feb	214	181	153	124	103	82
Jun	269	—	209	—	159	—
Puts						
Nov	21	33	50	75	106	146
Dec	42	57	78	100	130	163
Jan	58	74	95	116	145	175
Feb	70	88	109	131	160	190
Jun	105	—	145	—	195	—

	Series	Calls Dec	Mar	Jun	Puts Dec	Mar	Jun
Abby Nat.	390	34	42½	46	6½	16½	22½
(*411½)	420	15	25½	30½	19½	32½	37½
Amstrad	25	4	6	6½	1½	2½	3
(*28½)	30	2	3	4	4	5	6
Barclays	550	41½	59½	63	12	24	31½
(*573½)	600	15	29	38½	36	51	58½
Blue Circ	280	15½	24	29½	11	15½	23½
(*282)	300	6½	15	21	23	27½	35½
Br Gas	280	14½	23	27	9	14	20
(*282½)	300	6	14	18	20½	24½	31½
Dixons	180	23½	27½	32½	4½	9½	12½
(*196)	200	11½	16½	22	12½	19	23
Forte	220	17	24	28	7	9½	15½
(*228½)	240	7	13½	17½	18	20½	26½
Hillsdwn	160	13	18	21	5	6	12
(*169)	180	4	8½	11½	17	19	25
Lonrho	130	10½	14½	17½	6½	11½	13
(*132)	140	6	10	13	12½	17½	18½
Sears	100	12	14	16	2	4½	6
(*107½)	110	5½	8½	10½	6	9	12
Thrn Eml.	950	53	66½	92½	16½	33	41½
(*970)	1000	25	40½	63	40	58½	66
Tomkins	200	15½	21½	27	6½	11	14
(*206½)	220	6	12	17½	17½	22½	25
TSB	220	15	21	25	8	14	17
(*225½)	240	6½	11½	16	20½	26	29
Wellcome	600	52	70½	82	16½	29	41½
(*628½)	650	25	45	56½	41½	54	66
	Series	**Oct**	**Jan**	**Apr**	**Oct**	**Jan**	**Apr**
Glaxo	550	45	63	74½	1	13	26
(*591½)	600	3	32½	46½	12	33½	50
HSBC	700	12	50	63	5½	33½	57½
(*708)	750	1	28	41	46½	63½	87½
Reuter	462	4½	—	—	6	—	—
(*460½)	475	1½	—	—	18	—	—
	Series	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
R-Royce	160	17	22½	25½	2½	5½	9
(*173½)	180	5	11½	15	11	14½	19
	Series	**Dec**	**Mar**	**Jun**	**Dec**	**Mar**	**Jun**
Fisons	110	11½	16	19½	6	8½	10½
(*115½)	120	7	11½	15	12	14	16
	Series	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
Eastern Gp	750	30½	53	71½	23½	39½	51
(*756)	800	11½	32	49	55	68	79
	Series	**Dec**	**Mar**	**Jun**	**Dec**	**Mar**	**Jun**
Natl Pwr	460	35	47	58	10	18	27½
(*484)	500	14½	26½	37½	31	38	47½
Scot Pwr	330	30	38½	46½	9½	18½	22½
(*346½)	360	14	24	32½	25	34½	38

October 24, 1994 Tot: 13987 Call: 6400 Put: 7557 FT-SE Call: 2976 Put: 4171
*Underlying security price.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Period	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume
FT-SE 100	Dec 94	3050.0	3065.0	3021.0	3030.0	6294
Previous open interest: 57927	Mar 95				3052.0	0
Three Month Sterling	Dec 94	93.52	93.52	93.49	93.50	10136
Previous open interest: 481176	Mar 95	92.69	92.70	92.65	92.66	9842
	Jun 95	92.09	92.11	92.04	92.05	2485
Three Mth Eurodollar	Dec 94	94.01	94.01	94.01	93.98	53
Previous open interest: 4261	Mar 95				93.55	0
Three Mth Euro DM	Dec 94	94.80	94.82	94.78	94.81	15735
Previous open interest: 642381	Mar 95	94.47	94.49	94.44	94.47	23505
Long Gilt	Dec 94	101-05	101-09	100-15	100-18	22733
Previous open interest: 97150	Mar 95				99-19	0
Japanese Govmt Bond	Dec 94	107.25	107.33	107.22	107.27	1367
	Mar 95				106.55	0
German Gov Bd Bund	Dec 94	89.84	89.90	89.42	89.47	72725
Previous open interest: 183245	Mar 95	88.97	89.01	88.69	88.68	165
German Gov Bd Bobl	Dec 94					
Previous open interest: 0						
Three month ECU	Dec 94	93.81	93.83	93.81	93.82	141
Previous open interest: 21391	Mar 95	93.37	93.37	93.32	93.34	639
Euro Swiss Franc	Dec 94	95.82	95.82	95.77	95.78	1887
Previous open interest: 42704	Mar 95	95.47	95.47	95.44	95.45	1037
Italian Govmt Bond	Dec 94	99.25	99.53	99.07	99.24	16902
Previous open interest: 63257	Mar 95	98.60	98.63	98.60	98.47	518

MONEY RATES (%)

Base Rates: Clearing Banks 5¾ Finance Hse 6
Discount Market Loans: O/night high: 6¼ Low 5½ Week fixed: 5¾
Treasury Bills (Dis):Buy: 2 mth 5½ ; 3 mth 5¾ . Sell: 2 mth 5¾ ; 3 mth: 5¾ .

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Prime Bank Bills (Dis):	5¾-5¾	5¾-5½	5¾-5¾	6¼-6¼	
Sterling Money Rates:	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	6¼-6¼	7¼-7¼
Interbank:	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	6¼-6¼	7¼-7¼

Overnight: open 5¾. close 6¼ .

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Local Authority Deps:	5¾	n/a	5¾	6¼	7¼
Sterling CDs:	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	6¼-6¼	7¼-7¼
Dollar CDs:	4.92	n/a	5.53	5.83	6.42
Building Society CDs:	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	6¼-6¼	7¼-7¼

ECGD: Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance. Make-up day: Aug 31, 1994 Agreed rates Sep 26, 1994 to Oct 25, 1994 Scheme III: 6.82 %. Reference rate July 30, 1994 to Aug 31, 1994 Scheme IV & V: 5.578 %.

EUROPEAN MONEY DEPOSITS (%)

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth	Call
Dollar:	4¼-4¼	5-4¾	5¼-5¼	5¾-5¾	4¾-3¾
Deutschemark:	4¾-4¾	4¾-4¾	5¾-4¾	5¾-5¾	5-4
French Franc:	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-4¾
Swiss Franc:	3¾-3¾	3¾-3¾	4¼-3¾	4¼-4¼	4¾-3¾
Yen:	2¼-2	2¼-2¼	2¼-2¼	2¼-2¼	2¼-1¾

GOLD/PRECIOUS METALS (Baird & Co)

Bullion: Open $389.20-389.60 Close: $389.25-389.75 High: $390.30-390.80
Low: $388.60-389.10 AM: $389.20 PM: $389.30

Krugerrand: $392.00-395.00 (£241.00-243.00)

Platinum: $421.25 (£259.00) Silver: $5.33 (£3.275) Palladium: $155.90 (£95.60)

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Mkt Rates for Oct 24	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
Amsterdam	2.7285-2.7406	2.7285-2.7319	¼pr-par	¾-½pr
Brussels	50.13-50.40	50.13-50.24	6-3pr	14-7pr
Copenhagen	9.5200-9.5550	9.5200-9.5350	par-¼ds	¼-1¼ds
Dublin	1.0118-1.0174	1.0131-1.0158	4-1pr	7-3pr
Frankfurt	2.4344-2.4454	2.4344-2.4376	¼pr-par	¾-¼pr
Lisbon	249.11-250.42	249.11-249.76	80-87ds	244-262ds
Madrid	203.17-203.95	203.17-203.47	33-39ds	98-114ds
Milan	2491.20-2501.60	2491.20-2495.30	5-8ds	16-17ds
Montreal	2.1973-2.2056	2.2015-2.2046	0.16-0.08pr	0.20-0.13pr
New York	1.6264-1.6298	1.6284-1.6294	0.08-0.07pr	0.15-0.13pr
Oslo	10.5980-10.6390	10.5980-10.6140	¼-¾ds	1¼-2¼ds
Paris	8.3430-8.3800	8.3430-8.3570	¼pr-par	¾-¼pr
Stockholm	11.5520-11.6250	11.5520-11.5760	1¼-2¼ds	6¼-7ds
Tokyo	158.07-158.58	158.16-158.43	1¼-¾pr	1¼-1¼pr
Vienna	17.12-17.22	17.12-17.16	1¼-¾pr	4-2pr
Zurich	2.0271-2.0385	2.0271-2.0301	¼-¼pr	1-¾pr

Source: Extel. Premium - pr. Discount - ds.

DOLLAR RATES

Australia	1.3570-1.3579
Austria	10.55-10.56
Belgium (Com)	30.88-30.91
Canada	1.3525-1.3530
Denmark	5.8600-5.8630
France	5.1382-5.1412
Germany	1.4998-1.5001
Hong Kong	7.7272-7.7277
Ireland	1.6041-1.6056
Italy	1533.00-1534.00
Japan	97.27-97.32
Malaysia	2.5526-2.5536
Netherlands	1.6808-1.6813
Norway	6.5235-6.5265
Portugal	153.37-153.47
Singapore	1.4734-1.4739
Spain	125.01-125.06
Sweden	7.1103-7.1178
Switzerland	1.2490-1.2500

OTHER STERLING

Argentina peso*	1.6248-1.6275
Australia dollar	2.2083-2.2101
Bahrain dinar	0.6070-0.6196
Brazil real*	1.3857-1.3899
Cyprus pound	0.74-0.75
Finland markka	7.4195-7.5355
Greece drachma	372.00-379.00
Hong Kong dollar	12.5706-12.5737
India rupee	50.54-51.50
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4775-0.4875
Malaysia ringgit	4.1526-4.1550
Mexico peso	5.50-5.60
New Zealand dollar	2.6543-2.6571
Pakistan rupee	49.33 buy
Saudi Arabia riyal	6.0395-6.1655
Singapore dollar	2.3969-2.3983
S Africa rand (fin)	6.4693-6.5222
S Africa rand (com)	5.7049-5.7134
U A E dirham	5.9130-6.0370

Barclays Bank GTS * Lloyds Bank

FT-SE VOLUMES

3i	1,000	Legal & Gn	819
ASDA Gp	6,400	Lloyds Bk	2,500
Abbey Natl	2,700	MEPC	1,000
Alld Dom	1,200	Marks Spr	3,100
Argyll Gp	1,100	NatWst Bk	3,500
Arjo Wiggn	1,000	Nat Power	942
AB Foods	143	Nth Wst W	118
BAA	1,200	P & O	1,300
BAT Inds	1,800	Pearson	334
BOC	181	PowerGen	897
BP	3,500	Prudential	2,800
BTR	5,600	RMC	432
BT	4,500	RTZ	1,700
Bk of Scot	1,900	Rank Org	453
Barclays	8,100	Reckitt Col	2,300
Bass	956	Redland	437
Blue Circle	591	Reed Intl	594
Boots	1,000	Rentokil	223
Bowater	789	Reuters	2,600
Brit Aero	815	Rolls Royce	5,200
Brit Airwys	3,000	Ryl Ins	3,300
Brit Gas	2,600	Ryl Bk Scot	496
Brit Steel	10,000	Sainsbury	980
Burmah Cast	539	Schroders	32
Cable Wire	2,300	Scot & New	1,200
Cadbury	701	Scot Power	867
Caradon	449	Sears	1,700
Carlton Cms	552	Svrn Trent	609
Cm Union	314	Shell Trans	1,100
Courtaulds	537	Siebe	1,100
De La Rue	327	SmKl Bch	3,600
Eastern Elec	997	Smith Nph	374
Enterpr Oil	1,800	Southern Elec	946
Forte	3,000	Std Chartd	4,000
GKN	901	Sun Allnce	1,500
GRE	828	TI Gp	436
GUS	1,700	TSB	4,500
Gen Acc	720	Tesco	2,300
Gen Elec	1,500	Thames W	213
Glaxo	3,300	Thrn EMI	960
Granada	1,100	Tomkins	2,800
Grand Met	1,400	Unilever	624
Guinness	1,800	Utd Bisc	680
HSBC	3,800	Vodafone	1,500
Hanson	6,300	Warburg (SG)	206
ICI	1,100	Wellcome	1,600
Inchcape	1,100	Whitbread	975
Kingfisher	2,100	Wlms Hld	1,100
Ladbroke	1,100	Wolseley	761
Land Secs	1,200	Zeneca	3,000

NEW YORK STOCKS

	Oct 24 midday	Oct 21 close
AMP Inc	77¾	77¾
AMR Corp	52¾	53
AT & T	54¾	54¾
Abbott Labs	31	31
Aetna Life	45¾	46¾
Ahmanson (HF)	19¾	19¾
Air Prod & Chem	45¾	45¾
Albertson's	28¾	29¾
Alcan Alumnm	27¾	27¾
Alco Standard	58¾	59
Allied Signal	34¾	34¾
Alum Co of Am	87¾	89¾
Amax Gold Inc	7¾	7¾
Amerada Hess	48	48¾
Amer Brands	35	35
Amer Cyanamid	99¾	98¾
Amer El Power	31¾	31¾
Amer Express	30	30¾
Amer Genl Corp	26¾	26¾
Amer Home Pr	61¾	61¾
Amer Intl	91¾	91¾
Amer Stores	26¾	26¾
Ameritech	39¾	39¾
Amoco	59¾	59¾
Anheuser-Busch	51¾	51¾
Apple Computer	42	42¾
Archer Daniels	27¾	27¾
Armco	6¾	6¾
Armstrong Wrld	41	42¾
Asarco	33¾	33¾
Ashland Oil	38¾	38¾
Atl Richfield	101¾	101¾
Auto Data Pro	57¾	57¾
Avery Dennison	34¾	34¾
Avon Products	59¾	59¾
Baker Hughes	19¾	19¾
Baltm Gas & El	22¾	22¾
Banc One	27¾	28¾
BankAmerica	42¾	42¾
Bank of NY	30¾	30¾
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Barnett Banks	41¾	42¾
Bausch & Lomb	32¾	32¾
Baxter Intl	26¾	26¾
Becton Dickson	47¾	47¾
Bell Atlantic	50¾	51¾
BellSouth	53	53
Black & Decker	23¾	22¾
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Boeing	43¾	43¾
Boise Cascade	22¾	22¾
Borden Inc	13¾	13¾
Bristol Myrs Sq	57¾	58¾
Browning Ferris	31¾	31¾
Brunswick	19¾	20
Burlington Nthn	50¾	50¾
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CNA Financial	61	61¾
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Cptl Cities ABC	77¾	77¾
Carolina Pwr	25¾	25¾
Caterpillar	58¾	59¾
Central & SW	22¾	22¾
Champion Intl	37¾	37¾
Chase Manhat	35¾	35¾
Chemical Bk	35¾	36¾
Chevron Corp	43¾	43¾
Chrysler	45¾	45¾
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Cigna Corp	63¾	63¾
Citicorp	45¾	45¾
Clorox	53¾	54¾
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Crown Cork	37¾	37¾
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Digital Equip	30¾	31¾
Dillard Dept St	26¾	26¾
Disney (Walt)	38¾	38¾
Dominion Res	37¾	37¾
Donelley (RR)	31¾	31¾
Dover Corp	55¾	55¾
Dow Chemical	74¾	75¾
Dow Jones	30¾	30¾
Dresser	20¾	20¾
Duke Power	38¾	38¾
Dun & Bradstreet	58	58¾
Du Pont	59¾	59¾
Eastman Kodak	48¾	49¾
Eaton Corp	49¾	50¾
Emerson Elec	61	61¾
Engelhard Corp	23¾	23¾

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Enron Corp	31¾	30¾
Entergy	24	24¾
Ethyl Corp	11¾	11¾
Exxon	59¾	59¾
FMC Corp	61¾	61¾
FPL Group	32¾	32¾
Federal Express	62¾	63¾
Fed Nat Mtge	76¾	76¾
First Chicago	47¾	47¾
First Interstate	78¾	78¾
First Union Rlty	7¾	7¾
Fleet Finl Grp	34¾	34¾
Fluor Corp	48¾	48¾
Ford Motor	28¾	28¾
GTE Corp	30¾	30¾
Gannett	48¾	48¾
Gap Inc Del	33¾	34¾
Gen Dynamics	43¾	44¾
Gen Electric	47¾	47¾
Gen Mills	56¾	55¾
Gen Motors	40¾	41¾
Gen Reinsurance	109¾	109¾
Gen Signal	35	34¾
Genuine Parts	35¾	35¾
Georgia Pac	76¾	77¾
Gillette	74¾	74
Glaxo ADR	19¾	19¾
Goodrich (BF)	44¾	44¾
Goodyear Tire	34¾	34¾
Grace (W&R)	39¾	39¾
Gt Atl Pac Tea	24¾	25¾
Great Wstn Fin	18	18
Halliburton	31¾	31¾
Harcourt General	36¾	36¾
Heinz (HJ)	36¾	36¾
Hercules	101¾	100¾
Hershey Foods	47¾	47¾
Hewlett Packard	94	93¾
Hilton Hotels	59¾	59
Home Depot	44	43¾
Homestake Mng	20¾	20¾
Honeywell	33¾	34
Household Intl	34¾	34¾
Houston Inds	34¾	35¾
Humana	22¾	22¾
ITT Corp	84¾	84¾
Illinois Tool	43¾	43¾
Illinova	19¾	19¾
INCO	29¾	30¾
Ingersoll Rand	35	35
Inland Steel	36	36¾
Intel Corp	59¾	60¾
IBM	73¾	74¾
Intl Flav & Fr	41	41¾
Intl Paper	78	78¾
James River Va	21¾	22
Jhnsn & Jhnsn	54¾	54¾
Kellogg	57¾	58
Kerr-McGee	48¾	49¾
Kimberly-Clark	50¾	51
Kmart	15¾	16
Knight-Ridder	50¾	50¾
Lilly (Eli)	60¾	59¾
Limited Inc	18¾	18¾
Lin Brdcstng	134¾	135¾
Lincoln Nat	35¾	35¾
Litton	38¾	37¾
Liz Claiborne	23¾	22¾
Lockheed	69¾	69¾
Louisiana Pac	31¾	31¾
MCI Comm	23	22¾
Marriott Int	30	29¾
Marsh & McLnn	76¾	76¾
Masco Corp	23¾	24
May Dept St	38¾	38
Maytag Corp	16¾	16¾
McDonalds	28	27¾
McDonnell D	124¾	124¾
McGraw Hill	72¾	73¾
Mead Corp	49¾	49¾
Medtronic	52¾	54
Mellon Bk	55¾	55¾
Melville Corp	32¾	32¾
Merck Inc	35¾	35¾
Merrill Lynch	39¾	39¾
Minnesota Mine	55¾	55¾
Mobil Corp	81	80¾
Monsanto	78¾	78¾
Morgan (JP)	60	60¾
Motorola Inc	56¾	58¾
Natl Medical	14¾	13¾
Natl Semi	19¾	19¾
Natl Service Ind	27	26¾
Navistar Inc	12¾	12
NBD Bancorp	28¾	28¾
NY Times A	21¾	22¾
Newmont Mng	42¾	43¾
Niag Mohawk	12¾	13¾
Nike B	60¾	60¾
NL Industries	11¾	10¾
Noram Energy	6¾	6¾
Nordstrom	45	43¾
Norfolk Sthrn	61¾	61¾
Nthn State Pwr	44	44¾
Norwest Corp	24¾	24¾
Nynex Corp	38¾	38¾
Occidental Pet	22	21
Ohio Edison	18¾	18¾
Oracle Systems	44¾	44¾
Oryx Energy Co	14	14¾

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Owens Corning	31¾	31¾
PNC Financial	23¾	23¾
PPG Industries	39¾	39¾
Paccar Inc	41¾	42¾
Pacificorp	16¾	16¾
Pac Enterprises	20¾	20¾
Pac Gas & Elect	22¾	22¾
Pac Telesis	30¾	30¾
Pall Corp	17¾	17¾
Panhandle East	22¾	22¾
Parker Hannifin	44¾	44¾
Peco Energy	25	24¾
Penney (JC)	50¾	50¾
Pennzoil	48¾	48¾
Pepsico	34¾	34¾
Pfizer	74¾	73¾
Phelps Dodge	62¾	62¾
Philip Morris	61¾	61¾
Phillips Pet	34	34
Pitney Bowes	34¾	34¾
Polaroid	33¾	33
PriceCostco	15¾	15¾
Procter & Gmbl	62¾	62¾
Providian	30¾	30¾
Pub Serv E & G	25¾	25¾
Quaker Oats	73¾	75¾
Ralston Purina	41¾	41¾
Raychem Corp	38	38¾
Raytheon	62	61¾
Reebok Intl	38¾	38¾
Reynolds Metals	58¾	57¾
Roadway Srvcs	55	56
Rockwell Intl	35¾	35¾
Rohm & Haas	61	60¾
Royal Dutch	111¾	111¾
Rubbermaid	26¾	26¾
Safeco Corp	49¾	50¾
St Paul's Cos	41¾	41¾
Salomon Inc	37¾	37¾
Santa Fe Pac	14¾	15¾
Sara Lee Corp	22¾	22¾
Scecorp	13¾	13¾
Schering Plough	70¾	70¾
Schlumberger	54¾	55
Scott Paper	62¾	62
Seagram	30¾	30¾
Sears Roebuck	47¾	48¾
Shell Trans	68¾	68¾
Sherwin Wlims	33	32¾
Skyline Corp	20¾	20¾
Snap-On-Tools	31¾	31¾
Southern Co	19¾	19¾
Sthwestern Bell	40¾	40¾
Sprint Corp	35¾	35¾
Stanley Works	40¾	39¾
Sun Company	31¾	31¾
Sun Microsys	31¾	32¾
Suntrust	48¾	49
Supervalu	24¾	24¾
Sysco Corp	24¾	23¾
TRW Inc	71¾	71¾
TCC Inds	2¾	2¾
Tandem Comp	18¾	18¾
Tandy Corp	44¾	44¾
Teledyne	16¾	16¾
Temple Inland	50¾	51
Tenneco	43¾	43¾
Texaco	62¾	62¾
Texas Instr	69¾	69¾
Texas Utilities	32¾	32¾
Textron	51¾	50¾
Time Warner	35¾	35¾
Times-Mirror	32¾	32¾
Timken	35¾	36
Torchmark	39¾	41¾
Toys R Us	37	37¾
Transamerica	48	47¾
Travelers	32¾	33¾
Tribune	51¾	51¾
Tyco Labs	48¾	48¾
UST Inc	27¾	27¾
UAL	86¾	87¾
USX Marathon	17¾	17¾
Unicom	21¾	21¾
Unilever NV	118¾	117¾
Union Camp	47¾	48¾
Union Carbide	34¾	34¾
Union Pacific	49	49
Unisys Corp	10¾	10¾
USAir Group	4¾	4¾
USF&G Corp	13¾	13¾
US Life	31¾	31¾
US West	36¾	37¾
United Tech	61¾	62¾
Unocal Corp	27¾	27¾
Upjohn	33	33¾
VF Corp	50¾	51
WMX Tech	26¾	26¾
Wal-Mart Stores	23¾	23¾
Warner-Lambert	75¾	76
Wells Fargo	145¾	146¾
Westinghouse El	13¾	13¾
Weyerhaeuser	40¾	40¾
Whirlpool	53¾	53¾
Whitman	16¾	16¾
Winn Dixie	51	51¾
Woolworth	16¾	16¾
Wrigley (Wm) Jr	41¾	41¾
Xerox	109	110¾
Yellow Corp	18¾	19

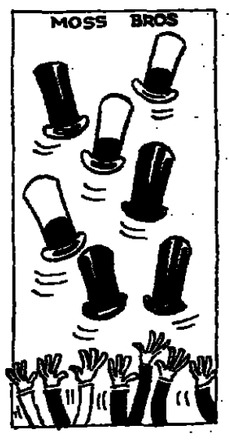
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Eurotunnel by a neck

THE trials and tribulations of the Channel Tunnel have been monitored with interest at the Pall Mall head office of Nuclear Electric, the state-owned nuclear generator. John Collier, the well-padded chairman, enjoys occasional outings to Lords and the Oval with Sir Alastair Morton, his opposite number at Eurotunnel. Three years ago, Collier bet Morton that the enormous Sizewell B nuclear plant on the Suffolk coast would be up and running before the first fare-paying passenger descended beneath the Folkestone chalk. Now, as Eurotunnel creeps towards launch day, Collier looks likely to have lost the bet — but only by a whisker. Sizewell B is due to go "critical" towards the end of November. Eurotunnel expects to start taking fare-paying passengers on November 14. Collier, who was a fast bowler in his younger and leaner days, will not suffer too greatly. The stakes? A mere £50 and a bottle of champagne.

Hunter hunted

CHRISTOPHER Sykes, top Asia hand with Goddard Kay Rogers, the so-called "headhunters to the gentry", is changing tack. After two years with GKR in the leafy surroundings of St James's Square, Sykes has himself been headhunted by the rival firm of Heidrick & Struggles, which handled last year's thankless search for a new man at the Stock Exchange. As head of Heidrick's growing Asia arm, he plans to spend his time jetting between Hong Kong, London and America. "You just can't get enough people to go round," he tells me. "There are some good people coming out of the US and Europe, along with local indigenous talent: people in their thirties, very bright, Western educated. The market remains extremely buoyant." Sykes starts early next month.



FORWARD thinking? In Islamabad, the Yellow Pages phone directory lists "Embassy of the Republic of Australia ..."

Royal soap star

THE Queen's visit to Russia is expected to feature in the daily soap opera *House 7, Entrance 4*, which communicates business concepts in a similar way to the agricultural information conveyed in the BBC's *The Archers*. Broadcast on Russian state radio, the programme enjoys an audience up to three million. Gordon Heald, who heads Russian Research, was formerly managing director of Gallup, in Britain, and monitors the daily audiences of every major Russian TV channel and radio station. In addition to testing awareness of UK business, his team will survey the average Russian's attitudes to the Queen's visit. "We expect a keen following for the business programme equivalent to Radio 4, called *How Business Works*, since it attracts over five million listeners," Heald says.

COLIN CAMPBELL

Tories and Labour take up battle stations over jobs

The welfare White Paper and Labour's 'social justice' report are poles apart, says Philip Bassett



Unemployed people will soon have to sign contracts requiring them to demonstrate steps taken to obtain work

When Michael Portillo appears today before MPs to give, for the first time since he took over as Employment Secretary, his views on jobs and the labour market, he will be keen to promote the approach laid out yesterday by the Government in its White Paper on welfare and work. Labour MPs will be equally eager to test him against the proposals of their party's Social Justice Commission.

Mr Portillo has been uncharacteristically silent on his detailed thinking since moving from the Treasury. That is partly because of the annual bidding on public spending, which tends to quieten ministers until their department's financial settlement has been reached; partly it is because he has been critically evaluating virtually every aspect of his department's work; and partly it is because, as is widely recognised, he has a personal political agenda ranging far beyond the work of the Department of Employment.

But the Commons all-party employment select committee will try today to pin him down on labour market specifics, as will the leaders of the 82 business-led Training and Enterprise Councils who will see him privately, concerned about suggestions that he is taking an axe to their budgets and cutting by a third the Government's Training for Work programme for the adult unemployed.

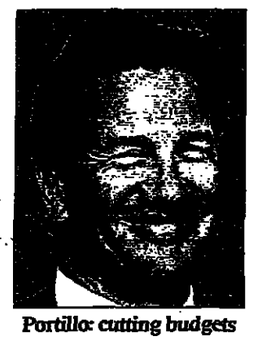
The real battleground is the ideological debate over the future of employment in Britain. This was set out yesterday in the two coinciding reports from the Social Justice Commission and the White Paper setting out the new Jobseekers' Allowance, which will replace unemployment benefit.

The two documents offer fundamentally different approaches to jobs and economic competitiveness, and indicate that a future Labour government led by Tony Blair would have an employment strategy wholly different from a Conservative one led — possibly — by Mr Portillo.

But the two do overlap. Both set out from a realisation that the social security system is in need of fundamental reform, and both emphasise active rather than passive labour market measures to combat unemployment. Their key emphasis — derived at least in part from the "tough love" doctrine of mutual responsibility favoured by President Clinton — is on the need for the welfare system to be used to get people back into work, rather than maintain them on benefit. There, however, the similarities largely end.

Sir Gordon Borrie, the chairman of the Social Justice Commission and the former director-general of Fair Trading, said yesterday: "We offer a hand-up, not a hand-out." The commission's business voice, Christopher Haskins, the chairman of Northern Foods, attacked what he called "mindless deregulation", emphasised the need for partnership and social justice as a key factor in Britain's competitiveness, and gave warning of the damaging impact of job-shedding. "Unemployment is a spectre that haunts the Treasury and City institutions as much as shipyard workers on the Tyne," he said.

By contrast, the White Paper from Mr Portillo and Peter Lilley, the Social Security Secretary, emphasises the importance to economic recovery of the Government's deregulatory labour market policies, which, the document says, are "delivering clear results" in contributing to the "sustained and welcome fall in unemployment" across the country since the beginning of last year. Mr Portillo was pulling few punches when he made clear that a key target for the Government was what he called the "work-shy".



Portillo: cutting budgets

The Social Justice Commission sees work as central to wealth and welfare, citing as its objective the need to transform the welfare state from "a safety net in times of trouble to a springboard for economic opportunity". Its complex report, running to more than 400 pages, puts forward proposals for economic, educational, social and employment reform. It rejects the Jobseekers' Allowance in the White Paper, as well as US-style workfare and the "too rigid" Training for Work. Instead, it argues for a minimum wage, direct wage subsidies to employers and an Australian-style Jobs, Education and Training programme to alleviate long-term unemployment by ensuring that everyone registered as unemployed for more than 12 months gets a job.

It avoids being trapped in the argument about less or more regulation of employment. Accepting that "it is possible to over-regulate a labour market", its emphasis on the importance of "intelligent" regulation parallels its call for an intelligent welfare state.

The Social Justice Commission report is long on theory and prescription. The White Paper, by contrast, concentrates on the realities of the new benefits that will come into force in April 1996. It makes clear the Government's intention to improve the operation of the labour market, secure better value for money for the taxpayer and improve the service offered to unemployed people, and says the Government's active labour market measures "are designed to give individuals that competitive edge" they need to fight effectively for jobs.

The Jobseekers' Allowance "will be a means of support while an unemployed person looks for work, not an income for a lifestyle divorced from work". The Government will no longer pay unemployment benefit automatically for 12 months — currently £45.45 a week, with a partner's addition of £28.05 a week. The new allowance will halve the duration of non-means-tested benefit to six months. After that — and from the start, for people with no National Insurance contribution record — those out of work may qualify for means-tested Jobseekers' Allowance.

One effect of this will be to cut unemployment totals, as measured by government statistics. Whitehall officials estimate that in the first year of the Jobseekers' Allowance, 90,000 claimants will lose their entitlement to benefit, and 150,000 will have to switch to means-tested benefits.

Such large-scale changes in benefit make it certain that even with falling unemployment, the allowance will be politically controversial. Another cause of friction will be the Jobseeker's Agreement, a contract that people will have to sign when they become unemployed. The idea of a signed contract, under which the Government provides benefits while jobseekers demonstrate the steps they are taking to get back into work, draws on features of US welfare-to-work schemes that impressed David Hunt, Mr Portillo's predecessor, when he saw them in action on a trip to America last year. Failure to sign the contract would lead to loss of benefit.

The White Paper also spells out the details of the Government's Back to Work bonus scheme, which will allow people to take up part-time work while receiving the Jobseekers' Allowance to help them back into the world of work.

Labour market analysis and the importance of employment are to the fore in the conclusions of the Social Justice Commission. But the White Paper is about labour market reality — and tough reality at that. Unemployed people might look yearningly to the promise of one — but they will have to deal with the reality of the other.

Early Christmas for investors in East Midlands

Martin Waller sees an electricity company's shareholders blessed by a special dividend and the taxman

East Midlands Electricity's Christmas present to its shareholders is the most generous gift yet to a class of investors who are beginning to look like the spoilt brats of the stock market.

The news, unexpected even after an autumn of share buy-backs aimed at enhancing shareholder value, sent shares of the 12 regional electricity distributors surging yet again, just two months after abrupt rises when the government regulator, charged with the task of making their lives difficult and cutting prices to their consumers, tried to crack down on their burgeoning profitability.

Holders of sector front-runners are looking at a share price nearly 3.5 times what they paid in December 1990, when the companies were privatised and the Government badly undervalued an investment that has since proved one of the safest on the stock market. East Midlands can afford to give away £187 million and still have gearing of just 20 per cent — the dream of most finance directors.

Equally generous has been the Inland Revenue's treatment of the East Midlands special dividend. Negotiations have won the company a probably unprecedented tax concession; its private shareholders will pay no tax at all on their windfall, and City institutions will receive a tax credit that will boost their own receipts above 106p a share.

> "Private shareholders will pay no tax at all on the windfall"

The huge cash balances electricity has been amassing have become both a source of embarrassment for industry bosses already unpopular because of headlines about generous pay and share price options and a political and financial risk. The political risk comes from the threat of punitive action from a Labour government or from an unpopular Conservative administration keen to notch up political brownie points.

The financial risk arises because, next April, the Government's "golden share", giving control of the distributors, lapses. It will then presumably be open take-over season. Such cash-generative near-monopolies as the distributors were always bound to appeal to predators such as Hanson or foreign utilities seeking entry to Britain; add a couple of hundred million pounds in the bank and the attraction is overwhelming.

Looming ahead of the sector remains the "problem" of what to do with the National Grid, the network linking power generators and distributors. The Grid was handed virtually free to the 12. Five years on, the latest valuations suggest that when the Grid is floated on the stock market next summer, it could be worth up to £5 billion. Stiff punitive taxation of proceeds of the Grid sale remains a threat that many distributors are already counting into calculations.

So far, six distributors have gone into the market to buy up to 10 per cent of their own shares, with the benefit to remaining shareholders that added scarcity value lifts the price and cuts the cost of dividends to the company. Another three, Northern, Midlands and London, have used hybrid schemes to buy shares back from institutions; these are meant to be more tax efficient, but the full tax benefits are as yet unproven. Two companies yet to act are Southern, cash-rich and highly profitable, and Yorkshire, with up to £150 million potentially tied up in a scheme to buy the company supplying power to Stockholm.

Nigel Hawkins, utilities analyst at Hoare Govett, sees East Midlands' action as positive for the sector.

"East Midlands' concentration on shareholder value will be seen as a beacon for the other distributors, in the same way that two years ago Eastern's concentration on cost-cutting was," he said.

"Second, I think the Inland Revenue clearance can only attract a great deal of interest from other stocks with substantial cash balances, such as Southern Electric.

"Third, East Midlands have emphasised there will be no diversification ... I think that particular commitment will focus the minds of other distributors."

Pros and cons of privatised pensions for civil servants

From Mr Colin Stewart

Sir, May I, as a lucky fellow basking in the security of an index-linked pension (according to Pennington, October 19) make two comments?

The first is that he is absolutely right, that I should have nothing to fear from having a private-sector pension instead. Those in the private sector may legitimately fear that their pension rights will not be met because their funded schemes may have to be wound up, but the Civil Service scheme is not going to wind up, is it?

Even if a funded Civil Service scheme were to become inadequately funded on an ongoing basis, as can apparently happen in the private sector, it would not matter. If the suggestion is that the promised index-linking should be limited to 5 per cent per annum, so as to bring the public and private sectors into line, that should be negotiable in present conditions.

Of much greater importance from a macroeconomic point of view are his comments on the growing imbalance between the numbers working and the numbers retired. The solution to this problem is said to lie in making advance provision for meeting the cost of pensions (and of health care), but here there are two problems. It would be quite a strain for those at work to save up for their own old age at the same time as they are having to pay taxes to meet the costs of my generation's pensions and medical needs. Also, it would be essential to have a sufficient supply of suitable investments (not government stocks) available to accommodate the growing savings. At present, it is not clear just how much of the financial needs of the elderly should, or could, in future be met from their own savings, including perhaps savings in funded pension schemes for civil servants, teachers, etc, and how much paid for out of general taxation at the time. Perhaps Pennington could address this question in a future article.

Yours faithfully,
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Coulsdon,
Surrey.

Civil Service facts

From the Secretary, Council of Civil Service Unions

Sir, The piece by Pennington "Crack in Sir Humphrey's nest egg" (October 19) is one of the worst and most inaccurate pieces of reporting that I have read in a long time.

The first fact that has to be registered is that the current average Civil Service pension drawn at retirement is no more than £4,700.

The second is that the cost of this is not met by the taxpayer; it is met by a notional deduction of around 6.5 per cent from civil servants' salaries, and an additional contribution by civil servants of 1.5 per cent of salary. The balance of 8.5 per cent is paid by the employer in the same way that all employers contribute to their staff's occupational pension schemes — many more generously than this.

The third is that all public sector pension schemes are inflation-proofed, not just those of civil servants. The inflation increases received are based on movements in prices, not salaries.

By law, all pension schemes are inflation-proofed, admittedly up to a ceiling of 5 per cent, but many schemes in the private sector are so flush with money from the success of their investment funds that they frequently award increases above the rate of inflation.

There is no fund to support such increases in Civil Service pensions or scheme improvements because the money paid by civil servants goes straight into the Exchequer, not a pension fund, as happens with contributions by members of private sector schemes.

There is nothing generous about Civil Service pension provisioning, and the value of benefits has fallen well behind those of the good company pension schemes, such as Abbey National, ICI, BBC, Granada, Siemens, Hoover, British Gas, Rothmans, Woolwich Building Society etc.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN ELLIS,
Council of Civil Service Unions,
58 Rochester Row, SW1

All benefits should be inflation-proof

From G.E. Smith

Sir, I do not know why Pennington criticises index-linked public service pensions. What he ought to be doing is campaigning for all pensions to be inflation-proof.

Firms put up prices to keep pace with inflation and if they are efficient, their profits do the same. Employees, including Pennington, expect their salaries or wages to keep pace. Bonds may be index-linked. Why should only pensioners be in a time warp?

I suspect his comments were just demagogy, which *The Times* ought to be above, and which has so undermined the morale of public servants, both central and local.

Yours faithfully,
G.E. SMITH,
Downsfield, Pilgrims Way,
Detling, Kent.

Ending directors' moral dilemma

From Mr John Hines

Sir, Your article "Directors torn between greed and fair reward" (October 18) reminds us that the conduct of many highly paid directors is legal but immoral.

Morality is about human relationships and a crucial test in society is how the powerful relate to the weak. Here the powerful choose to accept pay and perks which can be ten, twenty or even one hundred times greater than they give to many of their employees.

The excuses for this are well known and include: "We are in the private sector now"; "Salaries must be internationally competitive" and "the remuneration committee fixes our pay".

I suggest a solution to this moral dilemma.

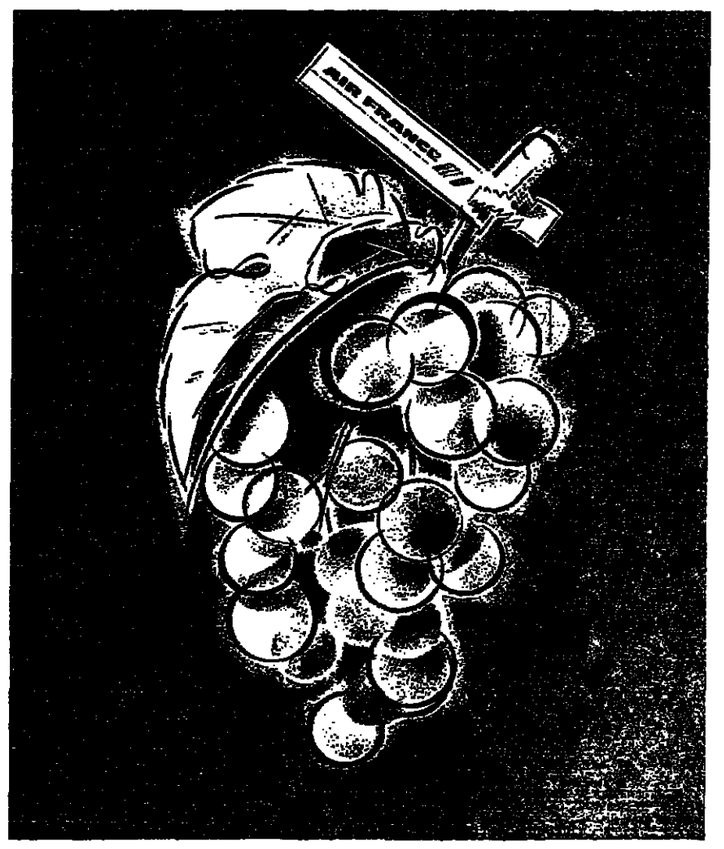
Some years ago directors of many large companies joined a "1% Club" through which they magnanimously gave 1% of shareholders' profits to good causes.

I propose a "50% Club" whereby the highest paid give half their net income to a similar fund, the proceeds to go to the lowest paid and a list of all donors to be published.

This would solve the dilemma of those very high earners who are reluctantly having wealth thrust upon them — and clearly define, by their absence, those who are simply mean and immoral.

Yours faithfully
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	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
AIB UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
51 Belmont Rd. Uxbridge, Middx UB8 1RZ				
0895 259 783				
Grnfund Amer	152.70	161.60	- 0.30	0.27
Grnfund Equity	251.20	244.60	- 1.00	1.28
Grnfund Euro	192.50	204.80	- 1.40	0.40
Grnfund Opp Pal	113.20	117.30	...	2.05
Grnfund Gilt	71.38	73.58	- 0.01	4.52
Grnfund Japan	175.60	189.00	- 1.10	...
AXA EQUITY & LAW UNIT TST MGRS				
Equity & Law Hse. Corpn St. Coventry				
0203 553 231				
General Acc	510.20	542.90†	+ 1.80	2.91
General Inc	450.00	478.80†	+ 1.60	2.91
UK Growth Acc	364.60	386.60†	+ 1.40	2.90
UK Growth Inc	295.90	251.00†	+ 1.00	2.98
Higher Int Acc	645.40	686.70†	+ 3.30	4.86
Higher Int Inc	573.00	396.90†	+ 1.90	4.86
Gilts/Fxd Int Acc	173.60	188.60†	+ 0.10	6.22
Gilts/Fxd Int Inc	86.90	91.69†	+ 0.06	6.22
Nth America	245.40	261.10†	- 0.60	...
Far East	358.10	381.00†	- 0.40	...
Europe	258.70	275.30†	- 0.70	0.62
Brit Excell	67.88	72.22	+ 0.27	3.26
Brit Fndmtls Acc	96.25	102.40†	+ 0.60	5.55
Brit Fndmtls Inc	70.56	75.07†	+ 0.37	5.55
Global Opps	80.51	85.65	+ 0.06	0.30
Balanced Acc	52.09	55.43†	+ 0.27	3.18
Balanced Inc	50.03	54.29†	+ 0.28	3.18
ABBEY UNIT TST MGRS				
80 Holdenhurst Rd. Bournemouth 0345 777 373				
High Income				
Gilts & Fixed Int	125.90†	133.60†	...	5.99
High Inc Equity	153.40	164.10†	- 0.10	4.80
Worldwide Bond	253.70	269.10	- 0.10	3.90
Capital Growth				
American Growth	367.20	385.30	- 0.70	.80
Asian Pacific	338.40	360.00	...	...
Assets & Earnings	249.90	265.90	+ 0.90	2.68
Comdty & Energy	120.90	128.60†	+ 0.50	.22
Euro Capital Inc	170.60	134.90	- 1.00	.72
General	213.80	227.40	+ 0.20	2.39
Japan	128.50	136.70	- 0.10	...
Mastertrust	137.00	146.50	- 0.10	1.17
UK Growth Dist	115.70	123.10†	- 0.10	2.36
US Emerging Cos	124.80	133.50	+ 1.40	...
Income & Growth	365.80	389.20	+ 0.80	3.21
Ethical	66.40	70.64	+ 0.07	2.73
International	115.20	122.60	- 0.20	.69
Dividend & Growth	58.10	61.81	- 0.11	4.55
Global Gwth & Sec	65.83	70.23	- 0.05	2.26
ABERFORTH UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
14 Melville St. Edinburgh EH3 7NS				
031 220 0733				
UK Small Cos	£17.03	£17.17	...	...
ABTRUST UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
10 Queens Terrace, Aberdeen AB9 1QJ				
0800 353 500				
Aberdeen Portfolio	98.32	99.47	- 0.01	0.83
Amer Inc & Growth	44.17	43.45†	- 0.09	0.71
Cash	90.25	90.25†	+ 0.01	4.48
European	104.20	110.70	- 0.70	...
Exempt	978.90	£10.44†	...	1.77
Exmt Income	48.85	52.30†	- 0.04	6.55
Far East Emg Ecn	117.10	126.20	- 0.10	0.50
Fixed Interest	21.85	23.33†	...	7.57
Fund Inv Tst	173.90	185.60†	- 0.90	0.90
Japan	187.00	199.20	- 0.90	...
Latin American	74.82	79.87	- 1.00	0.60
Pacific	73.35	78.47	...	0.34
Property Shares	63.77	68.06	...	1.68
UK Emerging Cos	63.15	66.35	+ 0.01	1.96
UK Growth	42.61	46.04†	+ 0.09	2.54
World Growth	71.42	76.23	+ 0.01	0.71
Ethical	59.78	63.81	- 0.10	2.75
Aberdeen Gilt Inc	48.98	48.98†	- 0.07	9.66

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AEGON UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
28 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 1YF				
031 549 5252				
British Growth	66.35	70.59†	+ 0.18	2.72
British Income	76.69	81.58†	+ 0.10	3.44
Select Portfolio	84.79	90.20†	- 0.95	...
ALLCHURCHES INV MGMT SVS LTD				
30 King's Road Brentwood CM14 4DR				
0452 308 958				
Amity Income	72.90	77.35†	- 0.02	2.58
Income Builder Inc	65.49	69.67	+ 0.13	3.05
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TSTS PLC				
Allied Dunbar Centre, Swindon SN1 1EL				
IFA dlg: 0793 610 366 Client dlg: 0793 514 514				
Balanced Trusts				
Growth & Income	217.60	232.60†	- 0.20	3.51
Capital	387.90	414.60†	- 0.20	1.67
Balanced	650.60	695.40	- 0.40	2.86
Accumulator	£11.79	£12.60†	...	3.12
Income Trusts				
American Income	44.67	47.75	- 0.02	3.85
High Income	375.70	401.60†	- 0.20	3.84
Equity Income	213.30	228.00	...	3.75
High Yield	229.50	245.30†	...	3.85
Govt Securities	31.83	33.60†	+ 0.02	5.42
International Trusts				
Amer Spec Sits	132.00	141.10†	- 0.90	0.43
European Growth	33.74	35.95	+ 0.03	0.08
International	156.20	166.90	- 0.20	0.23
Japan	217.90	231.80	- 1.10	0.01
Pacific	411.50	439.80	- 1.20	0.02
Sees of America	398.10	413.70	- 1.00	0.45
Wwide Asset Val	47.05	50.29	- 0.02	0.20
Specialist Trusts				
Asset Value	496.60	530.80	...	2.45
Const & Util	42.83	45.78	- 0.03	4.78
Smaller Cos	160.00	171.00	...	1.32
2nd Smaller Cos	151.40	161.90†	...	1.26
Recovery	129.50	138.40†	- 0.20	1.89
Mer Mtn & Cdty	152.40	162.90†	- 0.20	0.85
Overse Earnings	131.70	194.30	...	2.07
Technology	152.40	163.90†	- 0.10	0.01
UK Special Sits	422.30	451.40	...	2.00
B & C E UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD				
Manor Royal, Crawley RH10 2QP 0293 536 911				
Charcid Gilt Pens	96.45	100.20†	...	1.45
Poundin Pers! Pens	61.36	63.75†	...	4.00
BSI-THORNHILL UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
77 South Audley St. London W1Y 6DX				
0171 600 0033				
Capital	67.44	71.74	+ 0.39	1.84
International	61.00	64.89	...	...
BAILLIE GIFFORD & CO LTD				
1 Rutland Court, Edinburgh EH3 8EY				
031 222 4242				
America	270.50	291.30†	- 0.90	...
Bond	106.00	111.60†	+ 0.40	7.54
Brit Smlr Cos	96.26	102.40	...	1.37
Conv & Gen	64.54	68.88	+ 0.19	5.45
Energy	416.10	444.10	+ 1.80	0.22
Europe	218.10	232.70	+ 0.60	0.48
Euro Smlr Cos	101.50	108.40	- 0.30	0.86
Income Gwth	327.40	349.40†	- 1.80	4.51
Japan	332.20	352.90†	- 1.30	...
Pacific	106.90	113.70	+ 0.90	0.75
UK Smlr Cos	50.21	53.41	- 0.04	0.92
Japan Fd	756.50	779.40	- 4.00	...
Mngd Fd	164.70	175.20†	+ 0.50	3.08
BANK OF IRELAND FUND MGRS LTD				
36 Queen St. London EC4R 1BN 071 489 8673				
Brit & Ostrn	268.90	285.10	...	1 31
Capital Gwth	107.20	112.80	...	2.37
Wwide Opps	176.40	185.70	...	0.43
BARCLAYS UNICORN LTD				
11 Broadway, Stratford E15 4BJ 081 534 5544				
Balanced Trusts				
Bst Inv Fd Inc	325.60	339.30†	+ 0.80	2.94
European Bd Inc	88.14	91.34	+ 0.10	7.86
Exempt	69.34	73.94†	+ 0.01	4.47
Financial	69.76	74.61	...	2.94
500.0	430.30	460.30	- 0.40	2.44
General	259.40	277.50†	- 1.10	2.75
Property	249.20	264.00	...	6.11
Trustee	173.10	185.10	+ 0.40	2.63
Income Trusts				
Cash Inc	100.20	100.20†	...	4.62
Extra Income	110.50	118.20†	...	4.26
Gilt & Fxd Int	55.67	57.54	- 0.02	6.98
Income	499.90	534.60	+ 0.20	4.20
Income Builder	60.32	64.17	+ 0.02	4.93
Intl Income	61.30	65.21	- 0.10	3.66
Growth Trusts - UK				
Capital	111.00	118.40	+ 0.60	2.78
Leisure	114.90	122.90	...	1.44
Recovery	394.00	421.40	- 0.70	2.59
Smlr Cos Inc	41.09	44.07	- 0.04	2.11
Special Sits	263.30	281.60	+ 0.30	1.72
Growth Trusts - Overseas				
America	119.50	128.80	- 0.30	0.67
Asset Acc	242.60	258.10	+ 3.30	2.13
Asst Inc	150.80	161.30	+ 2.40	2.13
Euro Gwth Inc	144.30	153.10	- 1.20	0.75
Japan & Gen Inc	187.50	198.50	- 1.10	...
Japan Spec Sits	86.67	91.82	- 0.69	...
Unive Tech Inc	77.67	82.90	- 0.21	0.32
Worldwide	166.60	176.90	- 0.30	0.71
BARING FUND MANAGERS LTD				
PO Box 66, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ				
081 658 9002				
American Growth	86.34	91.80	- 0.42	...
Amer Smlr Cos	120.30	129.00	- 0.10	...
Cash Trust	50.17	50.17	...	4.10
Convertibles	54.63	58.42†	- 0.01	5.50
Eastern	284.50	306.30	- 0.10	0.10
Exempt Income	84.23	89.60†	- 0.02	5.01
European Growth	277.90	295.10	- 0.30	1.00
Europe	208.70	223.10	- 0.70	0.60
German Growth	68.41	72.80	- 0.50	0 10
Global Bond	60.64	63.89	- 0.09	6.40
Global Growth	120.60	128.30	- 0.40	1.48
Japan Growth	207.80	221.90	- 1.40	...
Japan Sunrise	185.90	197.00	- 1.00	...
Korea Trust	86.20	96.03	- 0.75	...
Portfolio	126.00	135.80	- 0.10	1.60
UK Growth	82.91	88.20	- 0.15	1 40
UK Smaller Cos	85.87	91.83†	+ 0.33	1.50
Select Managers	71.84	76.97	- 0.19	1 10
BLACKSTONE FRANKS UT MGRS LTD				
26-34 Old Street, London EC1V 9HL				
071 250 3000				
Intl Grwth Port Inc	75.33	80.14	...	...
Special Oppor Inc	54.89	58.39	...	...
BREWIN DOLPHIN UT MGRS LTD				
5 Giltspur St. London EC1A 9DE 071 236 6441				
Special Sits	166.90	178.50	+ 1.70	1.47
Dividend	80.94	86.46	+ 0.98	3.83
Intl Gth & Inc	203.70	217.90	+ 0.10	3.17
UK & Gen	42.06	44.98	+ 0.05	1.51
Fund of Funds	63.32	67.72†	- 0.39	...
BRITANNIA LIFE UNIT MGRS LTD				
30 Bothwell Street, Glasgow G2 6HR				
041 223 6029				
Balanced Growth	99.51	105.30†	- 0 11	1.78
Smaller Cos	100.11	105.94	- 0.21	1.33
Higher Yield	42.57	45.05†	- 0.06	3.65
American Gth Inc	67.05	70.94	+ 0.06	...
European Growth	129.85	137.41†	- 1.08	0.05
Global Bond Inc	25.68	27.12	+ 0.05	6.52
Mngd Pfolio Inc	40.46	43.02†	+ 0.01	1.09
Int Spec Opps	113.52	120.13	- 0.93	0.44
Pacific Gth	132.02	139.71	+ 0.12	...
Formerly LAS				
UK General	72.13	76.33	- 0.12	2.09
Japan	65.97	69.81	- 0.15	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	93.02	94.91	- 0.24	6.29
BURRAGE UNIT TST MGMT LTD				
117 Fenchurch St, London EC3M 5AL				
071 480 7276				
Short Dated Gilt	63 79	64.62	- 0.07	6.59
CIS UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
PO Box 105, Manchester M60 0AH				
061 837 5060				
Environ	165.80	155.20	- 0.20	1.67
UK Growth	157.00	167 10	+ 0.30	2.39
Uk Income	124.20	132.20†	- 0.10	4.58
CANADA LIFE UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
High St, Potters Bar, Herts EN6 5BA				
0707 651 122				
Can Gen Dist	177.90	188.60	+ 0.50	2.10
<for Income Dist	101 30	107 40†	+ 0.30	4.65
Gilt & Fxd Int	38.65	40.97	+ 0.07	6.64
CAPEL-CURE MYERS UT MGMT LTD				
10 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF				
061 236 5685 Exmp 061 236 5685 Dlg: 061 236 5362				
American & Gen	141 60	150.30†	- 0.20	...
European Inc	74.44	78.91	- 0.21	0.40
Smaller Cos (4-1)	77.38	82.32†	- 0.10	1.91
Growth	395.20	420.50†	- 2.00	2.40
Income & Growth	384.50	409.10	- 1.70	4.06

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Japan & Gen	75.06	80.65	- 0.37	...
Master Portfolio	£103.11	£104.16†	...	1 09
Special Sits	91 46	97.30	- 0.58	2.36
High Yield	£12.58	£12.97	+ 2.09	4.48
CAPITAL HOUSE UNIT TST MGRS				
Capital House, Festival Square, Edinburgh				
031 228 4477 Dealing: 0800 833 564				
American Gwth Tst	33.90	35.92†	- 0.33	0.28
Cmth Income	50.60	50.60	...	5.09
European Gwth	38.09	40.61	- 0.07	0.15
Income & Gwth Inc	28.72	27.50†	+ 0.06	4.50
Intnl Gwth	29.82	31.89	- 0.02	0.13
Japan Gwth	28 49	30.46	- 0 13	...
Managed Tst Inc	46.18	49.39	- 0.02	1.03
Original Opps Inc	144.90	154.90	- 0.50	...
Property Shares	35.96	38.43	+ 0.05	0.65
Smaller Cos	29.61	31.669	- 0.05	1.61
UK Growth Tst	24.31	26.00	- 0 12	2.40
Royal Scottish Assurance				
Cap Hse Global Inc	69.24	74.05	- 0.36	1.40
Cap Hse UK Inc	66.02	69.54	+ 0.31	2.52
Exempt Gt	29.84	30.70	...	1.76
Formerly Brown Shipley				
Financial	135.80	145.20	- 1.80	1.70
Foundation	87.31	93.37†	- 0.14	2.40
German	49.06	52.52	- 0.31	...
High Income	71.08	76.02†	- 0.15	5.70
Mngd Pfolio Inc	101.70	108.70	...	1.07
Mngd Pfolio Acc	194.40	207.90	...	1.07
Monthly Income	79.11	84.60	- 0.02	4.17
CAZENOVE UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD				
3 Copthall Avenue, London EC2R 7BH				
071 606 0788				
Cazenove Portfolio	80.10	85.42	...	2.37
American Portfolio	84.24	89.75	...	1.24
European Portfolio	92.63	98.69†	...	0.90
Japanese Portfolio	66.87	73.20	...	...
Pacific Portfolio	140.03	150.57	...	0.76
UK Inc & Growth	72.49	77.69†	...	3.68
Utility & Bond	54.97	55.53	...	6.13
CENTURY UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
5 Old Bailey, London EC4M 7BA 071 332 5000				
UK General Tst	62.23	66.20	+ 0.19	3.02
CHARTERED ASSET MGMT LTD				
158 Farringdon Rd. London EC1R 3AD				
071 837 7667				
Intnl Growth	129.24	140.71	...	...
UK Income	105.60	115.56	...	5.202
CITY FINANCIAL UT MGRS LTD				
1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1				
071 407 5966				
Beckman Intl	70.87	75.27†	...	2.22
Pack Bio-Tech	24.97	27.64	...	...
Acorn Enlchtl Tst	145.60	153.26	...	1.32
City Fin Assets	66.95	71.22†	- 0.98	1.09
City Fin America	78.76	82.90	...	...
City Fin Intl	76.88	80.91†	...	0.49
City Fin Japan	172.47	182.07	...	...
Friars Hse Cap	257.91	278.99	- 3.64	1.53
Friars Hse Inc	192.85	205.16	- 2.93	3.96
Buckley Wrld Gth	132.92	141.40†	...	0.08
Fairmnt Cap Gth	139.10	148.42	- 0.04	0.55
-do- Inc & Gth	108.27	113.97	...	1.61
Fairmount Intl	155.91	164.12	...	...
City Fin Pfilo Inc	53 98	57.43	...	4.28
CITY OF LONDON UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
10 Eastcheap, London EC3M 1AJ 0392 412 144				
Emerging Markets	56.79	60.25	+ 0.04	...
CLERICAL MEDICAL UT MGRS LTD				
Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH 0800 373 393				
American Gwth	51.18	54.74	- 0.32	...
Atlas Mngd Gwth	35.64	38.12	- 0.14	0.25
Dragon Growth	70.01	74.88	- 0.06	0.20
Equity High Inc	74.38	83.38	- 0.29	4.00
European Gwth	47.64	50.68	- 0.27	0.90
Evergreen	27.98	29.94	- 0.10	...
General Equity	78.53	83.32	+ 0.31	2.71
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	23.53	24.74†	- 0.03	8.39
Japan Growth	53.77	57.51	- 0.48	...
Pedigree Gwth	47.80	50.85	- 0.10	2.71
Ped Sm Cos Inc	29.96	31.97	- 0.06	1.08
Retirement Inc	24.81	26.53	+ 0.10	5.64
Special Sits	35.97	38.47	+ 0.14	1.90
UK & Overseas	46.27	49.23	- 0.08	1.15
COLONIAL MUTUAL UT MGRS LTD				
Chatham Maritime, Kent ME4 4YY				
0634 898 000				
Capital	63.93	67.30	+ 0.28	2.86
Income	57.03	60.09	+ 0.14	4.33
COMMERCIAL UNION FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT INTERNATIONAL				
Exchange Court, 3 Bedford Park, Croydon CR0 2AQ 081 686 9815				
PRESTIGE PORTFOLIO (PPT FUNDS)				
Income Funds				
Equity Inc	150.36	159.96†	+ 0.30	5.61
Fixed & Convertible	38.56	41.02†	...	7.68
Monthly Inc Plus	46.61	49.58	- 0.02	9.04
Preference Share	43.88	46.68†	- 1.00	7.86
Balanced Funds				
High Yield	117.20	124.68†	- 0.04	7.57
Managed Fund	64.04	68.13†	+ 0.07	2.61
UK Growth Funds				
Smaller Cos	38 12	40.55	+ 0.02	1.67
UK & General	74.15	78.89†	+ 0.22	2.43
UK Growth	131.68	139.37	- 0.15	2.44
International Growth Funds				
Europe Growth	179.19	190.63	- 0.44	0.26
Far Eastern Gth	134.28	142.85	- 1.67	...
Global Bond	72.50	77.05†	- 0.28	6.78
Japan Growth	127.00	135.11	- 0.87	...
North Amer Gwth	146.99	156.37†	- 0.97	...
Oriental Growth	78.15	83.14	+ 0.07	...
Worldwide Growth	80.61	84.48†	- 0.37	0.08
OTHER CU TRUSTS (MGRS PPT FUNDS)				
Deposit Fund	91.66	91.66†	+ 0.04	4.64
Homemaker Fund	73.98	78.70	- 0.01	1.92
Quilter Fund	122.46	130.28	- 0.07	3.01
CONFEDERATION FUNDS MGMT LTD				
Lytton Way, Stevenage, Herts SG1 2NN				
0438 744 840				
Growth Inc	93.37	98.90	+ 0.09	3.00
High Income	31.81	33.83†	+ 0.04	4.90
Japan	26.82	28.16	- 0.26	...
Smaller Cos Inc	29.98	31.39	+ 0.03	2.40
Smaller Cos	31.45	33.45	+ 0.04	2.40
North American	31.04	33.02	- 0.10	0.40
European	34.80	37.02	- 0.08	0.50
CONSISTENT UNIT TST MGMT CO LTD				
1 White Hart Yd. London Bridge SE1 1NX				
071 407 5966				
Consistent UT	29.84	32.01	...	3.37
COOKE (HENRY) INV FUNDS LTD				
1 King St. Manchester M60 3AH 0800 526 388				
Growth	134.90	143.60†	- 1.00	2.04
Income	67.35	71.68†	...	0.48
European	58.40	62.13	+ 0.09	0.96
Recovery	139.20	148.10	- 1.30	1.88
CO-OP PENSION FDS UT MGRS LTD				
78-80 Cornhill, London EC3V 3NJ 071 283 9494				
Equity Dist	801.30	815.00†	...	3 93
CREDIT SUISSE INV FDS (UK) LTD				
5 Rayleigh Rd. Hutton, Brentwood, Essex				
0277 690 370				
Fellowship Tst	67.19	71.47†	+ 0.02	1.37
Income	222.90	237.10†	+ 0.80	4.90
Smaller Cos	143.80	152.90	...	0.88
Inv Portfolio	74.83	79.60	- 0.04	1.50
High Income Port	95.06	99.21	+ 0.22	5.91
DIMENSIONAL UT MGMT LTD				
155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3XS				
071 638 0717				
Euro Small Cos	£15.02	£15.41	...	...
Japan Small Cos	£13.02	£13.28	...	...
UK Small Cos	£17.29	£18.04	...	...
US Small Cos	£15.32	£15.76	...	...
DISCRETIONARY UNIT FUND MGRS				
66 Wilson Street, London EC2A 2BL				
071 377 5819				
Disc Inc	199.60	210.20	...	2.72
DUNEDIN UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
25, Ravelston Terrace, Edinburgh 031 315 2500				
European Gwth	257.80	272.90	- 0.80	1.02
New Earth	216.80	231.20†	- 0.60	...
Japan Growth	126 10	134.10†	- 0.90	...
Jap Smlr Co	527.70	560.90	- 5 10	...
Nth Amer	238.00	251.10	+ 1.50	0.95
Shlfnd Asia Pac Mt	121.50	128.30	+ 0.10	0.35
UK Inc & Gmth	201.30	214.50†	+ 0.80	2.80
EAGLE STAR UNIT MGRS LTD				
Bath Road, Cheltenham GL53 7LQ (0242 577 555				
UK Balanced Inc	134.10	142.70†	- 0.50	1.88
UK High Inc Inc	142.70	151.80	- 0.30	4.74
UK Prel & F I Inc	96.20	99.65	- 0.04	5.26
Envrnmntl Opps	79.69	84.78	- 0.08	1.11
EDINBURGH UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
37 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh				
0345 090 526				
American	112.80	119.70	- 0.30	1.66
Convertibles	80.30	21.57†	- 0.01	6.95
Equity Income	120.80	128.40†	+ 0.70	4.13
EuroFund	42.68	45.22†	- 0.13	0.44
Financial	44.25	47.02	- 0 11	1.70
Growth & Inc	200.10	233.90	+ 0.70	3.29
High Div	147.90	157 10	+ 0.60	4.77
International	387.60	411.80	- 1.20	0.12
Int Emg Mkts	92.11	98.32†	+ 0.10	3.05
Latin American	47.87	50.86	- 0.80	...
Pacific	88.71	94.25	- 0.57	...
Preference Share	21.35	22.68†	- 0.02	7.28
Tokyo	237.20	251.70†	- 1.40	...
UK Smaller Cos	213.30	226.60	...	1.21
ELY PLACE UNIT MGRS LTD				
28 Ely Place, London EC1N 6RL				
071 242 0262				
Elcon Trust	207.74	222.08	+ 3.33	0.99
ENDURANCE FUND MGMT LTD				
41 Herrington Gardens, London SW7 4TU				
071 373 7261				
Endurance Fd	196.70	209.30†	...	0.52
EQUITABLE UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
Walton St. Aylesbury, Bucks HP21 7QN				
0296 431 480				
European	74.56	78.68	+ 0.02	1.78
Global Tst	93.38	98.66	+ 0.21	1.27
Far Eastern	303.01	316.96	- 1.50	1.66
High Income	126.60	133.26	+ 0.01	4.83
Intl Growth	116.85	123.00	+ 0.10	1.35
North American	103.13	108.58†	+ 0.24	1.20
Pelicans	110.04	115.83†	+ 0.20	3.32
Smaller Cos	68.71	72.33	+ 0.03	2.31
Special Sits	86.08	90.61†	+ 0.24	2.42
Tst of Inv Tsts	170.99	180.46	- 0.02	1.48
EVERMORE FUND MGMT LTD				
1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1				
071 407 5966				
Smaller Cos Inc	203.26	211.73†	- 0.26	1.41
Smaller Cos Acc	353.73	370.75†	- 0.45	1.41
Recovery	32.19	34.33	+ 0.21	1.20
Recovery Acc	52.28	54.46	+ 0.21	1.20
EXETER FUND MANAGERS LTD				
23 Cathedral Yard, Exeter EX1 1HB				
0392 412 144				
Balanced	106.18	112.96	- 0.04	6.00
Capital Growth	91.34	86.16†	- 0.03	...
Fd of Inv Tsts	44 13	47.07	- 0.01	0.61
High Income	43.80	46.94†	- 0.09	9.80
Warrant	57.58	62.59†	- 0.34	...
Zero Preference	34.61	36.72	- 0.05	...
FAMILY INVESTMENT MGMT LTD				
16 West Street, Brighton BN1 2RE 0273 220 707				
Family Asset Tst	72.44	77 09†	- 0.16	2.43
Family Income Tst	46.49	46.49†	- 0.08	5.64
Family Trust	84.52	89.81†	...	1.06
United Charities	251.40	267.40†	+0.300	2.70
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVS LTD				
130 Tonbridge Rd, Tonbridge TN11 9DZ				
Callbrec Private Clients: 0800 414 161				
Broker Dealings: 0800 414 181				
Cash Fund				
Cash Fund	100.00	100.00	...	4.00
Bond Funds				
Gilt & Fxd Int	26.19	26.43†	- 0.02	8.09
Intl Bond	26.31	27.32†	- 0.07	5.54
Income Funds				
High Income	24.72	26.01†	- 0.05	5.39
Income Plus	108.40	115.30	- 0.40	3.76
Amer Eq Inc	43.96	46.55	- 0.13	1.04
European Income	40.88	43.47	- 0.29	2.17
Far East Inc	40.96	44.93	- 0.04	2.37
Global Convertible	22.06	23.54†	- 0.01	3.78

	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
UK Div Grth	23.06	24.52	+ 0.06	1.25
Equity Funds				
ASEAN	66.24	70.66†	- 0.02	...
American	221.40	234.80	- 0.40	...
Amer Spec Sits	107.00	114.20	...	...
Japan Smaller Cos	45.47	47.31	- 0.47	...
European	159 90	170.10†	- 0.50	...
European Opps	60.40	64.23	- 0.30	...
Global Priv	23.73	25.23	- 0.06	1.41
UK Growth

Equities lose early lead

TRADING PERIOD: Settlement takes place ten business days after the day of trade. Changes are calculated on the previous day's close, but adjustments are made when a stock is ex-dividend. Changes, yields and price/earnings ratios are based on middle prices.

BANKS, DISCOUNT, HP

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
523	380½	Abbey Nat	411	+5	...	4.7	13.8
314	258	Allied Irish	266	...	...	5.2	9.4
298½	172	Anz New Z	173	+1	...	5.2	27.3
3300	2657½	BankAmerica	2657½	-62½	...	...	...
319	246	Bk of Ireland	275	...	...	4.7	8.0
287	172½	Bank Scotland	190†	-1	...	3.3	11.2
640	487	Barclays	572	...	...	3.6	12.2
37	13½	Carlisle	29½	...	...	1.3	...
630½	449	Cater Allen	475	-6	...	7.4	9.8
174½	129½	Cattles	129½‡	...	...	5.1	14.5
2628½	1543½	Chase Manh	2205½	-6¼	...	...	...
2912½	2269½	Citicorp	2768½	-18½	...	...	...
285½	203	Close Bros	236†	...	...	4.0	∞
£150½	£121½	Commerzbk	£128½	-12½	...	6.4	...
£344½	£270½	Deutsche Bk	£289½	-31½	...	2.3	...
90	60	First Nat Fin	65	...	...	2.8	...
1549½	1152½	Fuji Bank Y	1358½	-3	...	0.4	∞
515	395	Gerrard Nat	447	-1	22.0	6.2	12.9
1113	660	HSBC	706†	-1	...	4.3	10.2
1133	680	HSBC HK	710†	+1	...	4.3	10.3
473	217	Hambros	217	-3	...	8.6	8.9
443	400	Joseph (L)	418	...	...	5.2	13.2
170	106	King Shaxson	115	...	...	9.8	11.4
693	424	Kleinwort Ben	466	...	...	5.2	8.2
660	519	Lloyds	542	-3	...	5.8	10.7
119	95	Lon Scot Bk	115	-1	...	3.9	17.5
620½	472	Nat Aust Bk	480	+4	...	5.6	10.6
622	421	Nat West	487	-2	...	5.0	9.1
573	415	Provident	522†	-2	...	4.3	16.6
79	53	Rea Bros	61	...	...	1.6	17.1
528	377½	Ryl Bk Scot	421	+1	...	3.6	10.0
1574	1050	Schroders	1353	-10	...	1.7	12.4
359½	223	Stand Chart	279†	...	...	2.9	9.6
291	197	TSB	224½	+3½	...	4.8	11.3
199	102	Union	102	...	...	5.5	9.4
1012	569	Warburg SG	631	-2	...	4.4	2.7
[illegible]	[illegible]	Wells Fargo	[illegible]	-25	...	3.0	...
260	194	Westpac	198½	...	...	2.8	∞
390	325	Wintrust	325	...	...	5.7	15.0

BREWERIES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
693	540	Allied Domecq	574	-2	...	4.8	14.0
619	485	Bass	530	-4	...	4.9	13.9
299	250	Boddington	257	...	...	4.0	13.8
459	358	Bulmer (HP)	436	-3	...	3.2	24.0
196	168	Burtonwood Brw	182	...	...	3.3	15.6
181	142	Eldridge P 'A'	166	...	...	2.7	23.0
66	46½	Fosters Brewing	56	...	...	4.8	∞
485	380	Fuller Sm 'A'	380	...	...	2.6	15.7
506	375	Grand Met	401	-3	...	4.1	17.4
511	399	Greenalls Grp	412	-4	...	3.8	15.8
584	482	Greene King	531	...	...	3.0	14.8
542	428	Guinness	461†	...	...	3.5	15.2
265	239	Hardy Hansn	264	...	...	4.3	13.5
170	135	Heavitree	150	...	...	3.4	13.5
457	353	Highland Distl	415	-3	...	2.2	18.7
3773	3125	Holt J	3650†	...	...	1.7	20.1
232	127	Macallan-Glen	218†	...	...	0.7	57.1
695	365	Macdn Mrtn 'A'	685	...	...	1.8	28.2
246	195	Mansfield	233	-1	...	2.4	14.3
314	256	Marston Thmp	308	...	...	2.4	16.0
646	544	Matthew Clark	593	...	...	4.1	13.0
250	113	Merrydown W	114	...	...	2.7	...
545	461	Morland	515	...	...	2.4	17.2
10½	7½	Paramount	7½	...	...	3.2	∞
274	209	Regent Inns	265†	+1	...	2.5	∞
1521½	1000	SA Breweries	1440½	...	...	1.9	23.5
591	477	Scot & New	521	+6	...	4.1	15.5
190	142	Taunton Cider	157	-1	...	5.3	12.0
306	229	Vaux Group	237	-1	...	5.1	15.3
421	324½	Wetherspoon JD	409	...	...	2.0	∞
617	494	Whitbread	552	+5	...	4.3	16.0
589	493	Wolvrhmptn D	524	...	...	3.1	14.7
180	148	Yates Bros	168	+3	...	2.2	20.7
535	483	Young 'A'	498	...	...	3.8	19.1

BUILDING, ROADS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
205	135	Abbey	150	...	...	4.4	10.9
27	12	Albrighton	16	...	...	3.9	15.3
200	148	Allen	169	...	...	3.9	20.6
164	99	Amec	101†	...	...	3.7	58.3
462	333	Ashtead	402	+4	...	1.5	29.2
165	107	Attwoods	115	+1	...	5.4	...
363	274	BPB Ind	312	+2	...	3.2	21.1
142	93	Baggeridge Brk	128	...	...	3.1	24.2
41	26	Bailey (Ben) Con	35	...	...	2.5	21.4
88	18½	Barcon	37	...	...	5.9	4.4
60	37½	Bardon	37½‡	...	...	6.7	...
292	161	Barratt Devs	171†	...	...	4.4	∞
169	122½	Beazer Homes	136†	+1	...	5.0	10.7
304	170	Bellway	192	...	...	4.0	18.0
59	40	Bellwinch	40	...	...	...	35.2
246	125	Berisford Intl	192	...	...	...	...
573	375	Berkeley Gp	375	-6	...	2.3	15.6
215	118	Bett Bros	174	...	...	2.0	8.7
98	60	Blockleys	66†	...	...	1.7	...
391	262	Blue Circle	283†	-1	...	5.0	20.1
355	249	Boot (Henry)	249†	+½	...	3.3	12.2
84	35	Brandon Hire	71	...	...	2.6	∞
117	77	Breedon PLC	90†	...	...	6.4	25.8
154	130	Br Dredging	137	...	...	5.2	16.2
99	78	Brit Fittings	90†	...	...	3.1	...
197½	120	Bryant	123†	...	...	3.1	11.8
145½	111½	CALA	118†	...	...	3.0	16.3
409	321	CRH	350	-3	...	2.7	17.8
70	31	Cakebread Rby	43	...	...	...	...
42	20½	Costain	22½	...	...	...	...
176	123	Countryside	127	...	...	4.0	28.2
120	82	Crest Nicholson	85	+1	...	2.4	15.8
140	100	Custins	108†	...	...	3.9	13.0
30	19	Edmond Hldgs	21†	...	...	1.3	...
350	273	Epwin	315†	...	...	3.1	18.7
82	57	Erith	65†	-1	...	2.7	36.6
473	328	Eve Group	328	...	...	4.2	13.4
60	27	Galliford	28†	-½	...	4.5	...
112	87	Gibbs & Dandy	90	...	...	3.8	...
1028	833	Gleeson (MJ)	840	...	...	2.1	∞
218	164	Graham Gp	164†	-2	...	3.5	15.2
169	139	Hewden-Stuart	152†	...	...	2.4	17.5
82	46	Hewetson	76	...	...	2.1	...
473	286	Heywd Wlm	288†	+1	...	5.9	16.2
144	86	Higgs & Hill	94†	...	...	3.3	...
41	27	How Gp	38†	...	...	2.5	...
32	20	Howard Hldgs	24	...	...	4.2	22.4
100	67	Ibstock	77†	...	...	1.6	...
25	6	Jarvis	9½	...	...	...	...
138	104	Keller	110†	-1	...	4.3	12.8
426	204	Laing (J)	238‡	...	...	4.7	21.5
164	90½	Laing 6.4% Cv Pf	98†	...	...	8.2	...
145	115	Lon Clydeside	125	...	...	4.8	17.3
173	63	Lovell (YJ)	74	...	...	...	...
405	302	Manders	311†	...	...	4.0	15.1
213½	130	Marley	135†	-1	...	3.9	16.8
155	126	Marshalls	144	+1	...	3.7	17.6
253	196	Maunders (J)	219†	...	...	3.1	∞
321	186	McAlpine (A)	190†	...	...	4.1	29.2
76½	50½	McCarthy & S	57	...	...	1.3	...
569	359	Meyer Int	369	-11	...	3.7	15.5
185½	94	Mowlem (J)	107½	...	...	2.3	...
202½	96	NSM	104	...	...	...	12.0
196	146	Newman Tonks	157†	...	...	5.1	19.8
379½	211	Persimmon	211	-3	...	5.5	15.6
20	9	Phoenix Timber	12	...	...	...	...
1800	1450	Pochins	1631½	...	...	2.5	∞
198	128	Prowting	131	...	...	3.2	40.3
1079	805	RMC Gp	976†	...	...	2.7	20.2
116	53	Raine Ind	55†	...	...	0.8	∞
40	19	Ramus	19	...	...	...	...
640	460	Redland	461†	-3	...	6.8	21.3
108	70	Roskel	98†	...	4.3	5.5	...
185½	117	Rugby Group	121†	+3	...	3.6	15.2
288	222	SIG	248†	+1	...	2.8	19.9
61	50	Secure Retire	51	...	...	...	...
67	50	Swfld-Rve	62†	-1	0.7	1.5	28.2
300	155	Sharpe & Fisher	175†	...	...	3.1	12.8
360	233	Sheriff Hldgs	366	+1	...	1.5	24.4
111	62½	Sharco	111†	+1	...	4.4	9.7
345	195	Smart (J)	233	...	...	4.6	20.1
5	1	Starmin	1½	...	...	...	...
206	121	Tarmac	126†	...	...	5.5	...
257	151	Tay Homes	180†	...	...	4.5	∞
183	114½	Taylor Woodrw	126†	+3	...	1.8	30.3
760	538	Tilbury Dougls	563†	...	...	7.3	43.2
60	36	Torex Hire	56	...	...	2.0	29.2
370	274	Travis Perkins	297†	...	...	3.5	18.3
29½	15	Trencherwood	18	...	...	...	...
40½	23	Try Group	24†	...	...	3.6	...
28	21	Tudor	24	...	...	1.3	...
114	90	Vibroplant	114	...	...	3.9	30.1
170	123½	Wainhomes	127½	...	...	4.1	15.6
74	48	Ward Hldgs	60	...	...	1.0	...
43	33	Waterhouse	51	-2	...	...	...
565	450	Watts Blake	535†	...	...	2.9	20.1
225½	148	Westbury	157	...	...	4.2	17.5
7	3½	Wiggins	6½	...	...	...	...
571	332	Wilson Bowdn	350†	...	...	3.4	15.6
259	171	Wilson (C)	180	-2	...	2.9	15.0
249	132	Wimpey G	145†	...	...	4.5	21.7
30	16	YRM	16	...	...	...	...

BUSINESS SERVICES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
740	583	ADT	708	...	...	...	...
498	253	Adam & Harvey	498	+10	...	3.7	6.8
83	58	Air London	65	...	...	6.9	∞
62	44	African Lakes	57	...	...	1.1	...
140	69	Auto Sec	79	+2	...	...	10.3
162	99	BET Ord	105	+1	...	3.8	17.7
195	115	BNB Res	184†	-½	...	3.4	21.5
255	175	BPP	213†	...	...	5.2	15.2
186	133	BSM	134†	...	...	6.0	11.4
235	184	Barbour Index	184	...	...	5.8	∞
1½	0½	Black & Edg	1	...	...	...	...
226	159	Brit Data Mgt	178†	+1	...	3.8	∞
31	22	Broadcastle	26	...	...	4.8	12.4
79	58	Brooks Service	58	...	...	3.8	...
117½	87	CRT Gp	90‡	...	...	4.5	22.1
238	158	Capita Group	163	+1	...	2.1	20.8
59	28½	Casket Plc	28½	...	...	4.8	9.7
26½	7½	Chiltern Capital	23½	+½	...	...	...
85	40	Christie	40	...	...	...	...
423	292	Chubb Sec	319	+4	...	2.4	19.6
65	41	Corp Services	59	...	...	0.5	22.2
97	48	Coutts Cnslig	55	...	...	0.9	...
179	140	Dart	162	...	...	2.9	17.3
276	212	Davis Service	229†	...	...	4.4	15.4
154	96	EW Fact	96†	...	...	6.4	7.2
34	18	Gardiner	18½	...	...	5.1	8.7
334	261	Hays	267†	-6	...	2.9	18.2
289	220	Hogg Robinson	223	...	...	4.0	15.6
39	18	Holmes Protectn	23	...	...	...	1.4
365½	240	Hunting Wamp	279½	+8	...	2.0	20.4
2690½	1728½	ISS B DKr	1878½	...	...	5.6	2.0
609	395	Inchcape	420†	...	...	4.5	14.0
165	138	JBA Hldgs	140†	...	...	2.1	14.3
414	254	Johnson Clean	255	...	...	5.3	10.3
8	4	Lep	5½	...	...	...	...
194	141½	Mitie Gp	189	...	...	1.5	22.1
1865½	1156½	Manpower	1750	-31½	...	0.7	...
115	65	Michael Page	111†	...	...	2.6	27.3
143	90	Parity	135‡	...	...	2.1	35.3
115	83	Pennia	84	...	...	6.0	...
89½	60½	Proudfoot	66†	...	...	6.6	11.3
415	290	RCO	310	...	...	6.1	10.7
137	97	REA	137	+2	...	5.5	28.4
177	104	Reed Executive	160	-5	1.0	0.8	...
153	105	Reliance Sec	153	+2	...	3.8	∞
279	199½	Rentokil	226†	-1	...	1.7	23.3
195	147½	Rolfe & Nolan	187	...	...	2.7	28.1
392	243	Salvesen (C)	267	...	...	3.8	13.9
68	43	Scott Pickford	57	-1	...	2.0	∞
17½	9	Select App	14	...	...	...	...
307	243	Serco Gp	280	+1	...	1.6	26.3
130	75	Sherwd Crp	100	...	...	...	...
130	93	Stirchley	99	...	...	4.0	15.5
149	100	Unitpalm	108	...	...	...	∞
338	325	Warner Howrd	327	...	...	2.8	15.5
30½	18	Wills Gp	19†	+1	...	3.3	10.7

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
156½	115½	Allied Colloids	136	...	...	2.2	21.8
1141	910	Amersham	974	+5	...	2.0	20.4
3½	1½	Anglo Utd	2	...	...	...	...
£1497½	£1106½	BASF DM	£1127½	+29½	...	7.4	...
312	286	BTP	288	...	...	4.2	18.9
£149½	£129½	Bayer DM50	£137½	-28½	...	6.5	...
171	97	Blagden	115	...	...	1.6	53.8
131	98	Brent Chems	116†	...	...	4.3	...
615	311½	Brit Biotech	580	-4	...	...	...
13	5½	Cairn Gp	6½	...	...	...	17.4
199	153	Canning (W)	182†	...	...	5.0	30.8
580	429	Courtaulds	438	-1	...	4.2	35.3
389	322	Croda	361†	...	...	3.0	15.5
143	65	Doeflex	130†	+½	...	4.2	15.4
283	225	Ellis & Everard	266	...	...	3.6	19.7
62	35½	Euro Colour	60	...	...	2.4	21.4
399	337	Halstead (J)	375†	-1	...	2.5	∞
223	140	Hickson	149†	...	...	6.7	13.4
£157½	£108½	Hoechst	£128½	-300	...	5.8	...
250	153½	Holliday Chem	217	...	...	2.5	17.2
888	728	ICI	815	+1	...	4.2	65.8
843	665	Laporte	699†	-5	...	3.8	17.7
248	189	Leigh	189	...	...	5.2	17.3
95	48	MTM	53	...	...	0.8	...
2540½	1912½	Norsk Hydro	2518½	+16½	...	1.3	∞
625	428	Peterson Zch	453†	+1½	...	3.8	∞
595	413	Peterson Zch 'A'	434†	+1½	...	4.0	∞
250	173	Plysu	173	...	...	5.1	24.7
349	265	Porvair	285†	...	...	1.9	21.5
66	31	Sutcliffe Speak	34	...	...	1.4	20.2
490	361	Wardle Storeys	411	...	...	5.2	21.5
833	570	Wolstnhlme R	785†	...	...	3.0	16.4
483	380	Yorks Chem	389	...	...	2.6	17.0
336	259	Yule Catto	285†	...	...	2.9	21.7
869	672	Zeneca	838†	-3	...	4.1	16.8

DRAPERY, STORES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
240	203	Alders	220	...	...	3.5	16.4
418	307	Argos Plc	328†	-1	...	3.2	17.5
102	54½	Ashley (Laura)	70	...	...	0.2	...
357	134	Asprey	138	+3	...	5.5	6.8
246	176	Austin Reed	242†	...	...	2.8	12.2
168	137	Beattie (J) 'A'	157†	...	...	5.7	17.0
150	110	Bentalls	126†	...	...	2.8	43.7
165	36	Betterware	53	...	...	6.7	5.6
48	34	Blacks Leis	34	...	...	8.3	...
264	195½	Body Shop	228	-2	...	1.2	20.0
601	497	Boots	532	...	...	3.5	21.0
12½	2½	Brown & Jackson	3½	...	...	...	...
263	210	Brown (N)	230	...	...	2.3	20.3
74½	51	Burton	67½	+½	...	3.7	...
245	153	Cantors	153†	...	...	3.3	∞
390	308	Church	300†	...	...	3.2	25.5
171	96	Clinton Cards	100†	-1	...	5.9	14.5
287	194	Coats Viyella	198	+1	...	5.3	16.9
170	88	C'cty Casuals	88	...	...	6.1	9.0
903	720	Courts Furnish	735	+5	...	1.0	37.4
210	155	Crown Eye	165	-5	...	7.2	7.2
137	97½	Dairy Farm Intl	81	+1½	...	4.3	11.7
143	97½	Dewhirst (I)	126†	...	...	1.7	17.5
287	170	Dixons Grp	196	+2	...	4.2	20.6
11½	7½	ERA Gp	8	...	...	...	...
11½	4½	Eclipse Blinds	8½	+½	...	2.8	...
580	530	Elys (Wimbldn)	580	...	...	3.8	27.2
284	181	Essex Furn	192	+6	...	2.5	30.7
326	217	Etam	287	-2	...	3.4	15.8
588	457	Fine Art Dev	463	...	14.3	3.0	14.3
68	46	Fired Earth	67	...	...	...	...
155	136	Forminster	149	...	...	2.7	∞
278	124	French Conn	244	...	...	...	10.3
78	48	Gent SR	69†	...	...	4.1	∞
127	85	Goldsmiths Gp	124	...	...	1.9	22.1
653	524	GUS	559†	-1	...	2.9	16.4
196	164	Hamleys	165	...	...	3.6	15.7
31	21	Hampden Grp	23†	...	...	5.4	66.2
70½	13½	Harelane	14½	-½	...	2.8	...
91	64	Honeysuckle	69	...	...	4.5	10.1
227	178	Hse of Fraser	198†	+1	...	3.2	17.8
95	68½	Hughes (TJ)	88†	-½	...	3.6	14.4
211	175	Jacques Vert	188	-1	...	3.0	16.6
738	476	Kingfisher	476†	-6	...	3.9	12.5
88	61	Leslie Wise Gp	67	...	...	7.5	14.1
435	335	Liberty	340†	...	...	1.8	...
380	277	Lloyds Chem	300†	-2½	...	4.0	9.6
184	126	MFI	140	...	...	3.6	17.5
460½	380	Marks Spencer	425½	+4½	...	2.7	19.8
680	496	Menzies (John)	496†	-3	...	3.0	12.2
375	238	Moss Bros	375	+37	...	2.9	18.1
275	214	Next	241½	-3½	...	3.5	14.6
96	39	Oliver (G)	40	-1½	...	...	28.7
335	253	[illegible] Intl	264	...	...	4.9	12.0
37	12	Pentos	16½	...	...	...	...
268	166	QS Hldgs	168†	...	...	3.9	18.4
62	22	Rhino Grp	23	...	...	2.7	21.9
209	140	Rosebys	140	...	...	4.2	16.4
180	92	Sherwood Gp	92†	...	...	4.1	9.1
132	99½	Sears	107½‡	...	...	4.3	18.2
46	22	Signet Group	22½	-½	...	...	2.7
549	427	Smith WH	455	-1	...	4.2	23.5
21	10	Specialeyes	10	...	...	...	...
252	189	Storehouse	217	-1	...	3.2	19.3
198	146	T & S Stores	171†	+9	...	4.5	12.1
173	114	Tie Rack	121	...	...	1.8	14.4
265	215	Time Products	238	+1	...	4.7	15.8
132	105	Usher (Frank)	121†	...	...	7.2	9.2
539	384	Vendome	539	+1	...	1.3	40.7
44	34	Vivat	40	...	...	3.9	10.4
70	33	WEW Group	35	...	...	2.1	25.8
108	42	Wensum	104†	+2	...	3.5	15.1
120	87½	Wickes	89†	...	...	1.8	20.0
93½	52	Wld of Leather	79‡	...	...	1.1	...
195	138	Wyevale	145†	...	...	3.9	15.4

ELECTRICALS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
187	99	ACT Group	100	...	...	6.6	9.4
296	248	Acal	284	...	...	3.0	17.8
650	478	Admiral	645	...	...	1.3	19.8
198	153	Alba	183†	...	...	3.4	15.1
46	34	Alphameric	42	-1	...	...	32.0
50	29½	Amstrad	29½	+2	...	2.2	...
110	73	App Holo	108	...	...	...	...
39	24	Arlen	34	...	...	...	...
94½	78	Astec	83½‡	...	...	1.3	17.1
281	118	Azlan	132	...	...	2.8	10.7
283	239	Beales Hunter	275	+4	...	4.4	∞
420	333	BICC	333†	-13	...	7.2	21.0
535	411	Bick	415	-3	...	3.1	16.7
1100	637½	Borland	650	...	...	...	...
380	289	Bowthorpe	304	+1	...	2.9	17.4
485	353½	BT	384½	+1	...	5.4	13.4
21½	14½	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	18	...	...	1.7	10.5
79	55	Burnfield	87½	+½	...	3.4	29.0
543	381	Cable Wireless	399	-2	...	2.6	16.9
35½	24	Chloride	26½	+½	...	...	24.8
281	263	CML Micro	269	...	...	2.3	17.2
205	105	Comput People	195‡	...	...	1.6	44.4
202	154	Cray Elect	179	...	...	1.6	∞
457	412	Critchley	436	...	...	2.3	19.5
580	445	Delta	445†	-4	...	4.1	19.0
683	446	Dennmtr El	598	...	...	1.4	16.7
560	400	Domino	530	...	...	2.0	22.4
78	63	Dowding Mills	64†	...	...	5.0	23.4
1635	1220	Druck	1450	...	...	0.9	27.2
580	443	Electrocmpnts	470	-4	...	2.5	20.5
169½	135	El Data Proc	138	...	...	1.7	12.8
175	133	Electron House	155†	+1	...	2.6	16.0
39	22	Emess	32	-½	...	0.4	...
451	343	Eurotherm	386	...	...	1.6	22.9
212	162½	FKI	163½	...	...	2.8	18.9
656	502	Farnell Elec	507†	-3½	...	2.0	20.8
346	266	First Tech	333	...	...	1.3	19.2
285	194	Forward Gp	194	-1	...	3.2	11.6
38	14½	Forward Tech	44†	-½	...	2.1	9.1
359½	269½	GEC	281	+1	...	4.1	14.1
191	119	Gooseby	150†	...	...	5.0	14.1
14½	10	Graystone	13‡	...	...	2.3	11.0
193	122	Ind Control	122†	-3	...	5.1	∞
388	268	Jones Stroud	345	-3	...	3.3	16.5
145	99	Kalamazoo Cmp	125	...	...	3.3	14.1
396	335	Kenwood App	380	...	...	3.0	18.2
298	221	Kewill Sys	256	...	...	2.4	11.1
165	38	Kode	59	-1	...	8.5	...
35	19	LaserScan	20	...	...	...	...
149½	68	LIMS	99	...	...	...	...
171	107	Life Sciences	142†	...	...	3.6	14.1
321	266	Logica	298†	-1	...	2.1	∞
55	45	LPA Ind	54	...	...	3.7	...
216	110	MR Data Mngt	118†	...	...	5.9	∞
723	423	Macro 4	423†	...	...	5.9	11.9
281	230	Memtec-Sw	265	...	...	2.0	20.6
1320	750	Micro Focus	910	+42	...	...	11.0
178	115	Microgen	117	...	...	7.7	11.7
45	31	Microvitec	35½	-½	...	...	...
549½	425	Misys	420	...	...	2.4	∞
494	135	Mitel	222	+16	...	...	...
188	143	MMT Comp	175	...	...	3.0	17.9
320	250	MTL Inst	320†	...	...	1.7	19.3
148	109	Murray Ent	114‡	...	...	2.2	...
2746½	2284½	NYNEX	2371½‡	...	...	...	...
128	53	Neotronics	54	...	...	6.0	11.7
60	48	Newmark (L)	48	...	...	...	...
437	279	Norbain	439‡	...	...	0.6	21.1
100	47	Northamber	91	...	...	1.1	38.6
9½	4½	Oceonics	4½	...	...	...	...
31	24	Orbis	24	...	0.5	2.7	∞
358	277	Oxford Inst	308	...	...	2.0	18.2
84	60	P & P	70	-1	...	3.9	17.4
40	24½	Peek	30	...	...	5.4	10.9
235	163	Pegasus	165†	-2	...	3.8	16.4
£115	9750	Philips Fn 4%	£100	...	...	5.8	...
2175	1400	Philips Lmp NV	1551½	-6½	...	0.9	8.8
440	230	Phonelink	233	...	...	...	...
359	298	Pifco	355	...	...	1.6	34.3
344	283	Pifco 'A' Vtg	335	...	...	1.7	23.0
140	70	Plasmec	120†	...	...	3.9	...
128	100	Pressac	109	...	...	2.9	22.3
303	181	Psion	254†	...	...	1.4	17.8
261	187	Racal Elect	251	+6	...	2.1	20.6
52	33	Radamec	52†	+½	...	4.6	14.3
48	27	Radius	43†	-1	...	...	...
169	73	Real Time	150	...	...	3.2	11.8
311	229	Rosboro	230†	+1	...	2.4	16.8
615	507	Sage Gp	605	...	...	2.1	16.3
94	77½	Sanderson Elec	80	...	...	4.5	...
89	15½	Scanntronic	16	...	...	6.6	∞
256	162	Scholes Grp	253	...	...	0.8	∞
435	310	Sema Gp	435†	...	...	1.0	26.2
270	245	Servomex	266†	...	...	3.1	28.4
49	35	Silvermines	35½	+½	...	2.9	21.1
94	63	Soundtracks	65	...	...	4.6	14.7
3225	2265½	TDK	2900	+6½	...	1.1	∞
19	11	TDS Circuits	11	-½	...	...	...
102	51	TGI	86	-1	...	2.9	16.0
130	80	Telemetrix	87	...	...	1.4	11.1
318	191	Telspec	316†	-2	...	1.0	38.2
1165	963	Thorn EMI	976	-11	...	4.4	19.9
230	133	Thorpe FW	216†	...	...	1.9	15.8
43	22	Total Systems	36	+1	...	...	37.4
303	215	Tunstall	251	...	...	1.8	18.0
363	256	Unitech	350	...	...	2.3	27.4
16	8½	Verity	9	...	...	...	...
31	21½	Vistec	21½	...	...	2.3	11.7
220	157½	Vodafone	201½	-1½	...	1.7	26.3
483	395	Volex	400	...	...	5.7	17.5
300	60	Wakebourne	94	...	...	...	...
31	20	Western Selecn	25	...	0.2	1.2	...
335	258	Wholesale Ftgs	258	...	11.7	5.7	∞

ELECTRICITY

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
787	537	East Midlands	666†	-45	...	4.9	45.9
866	566	Eastern Grp	756	+19	...	3.8	16.5
477	308	Hydro-Elect	326	+1	...	4.8	10.3
753	534	London Elect	704	+15	...	4.0	10.8
871	636	Manweb	788	+10	...	3.9	9.4
840	547	Midlands Elec	736	+7	...	3.9	11.3
520	404½	National Power	484	+2	...	3.2	12.0
858	589	Northern Elec	780	+8	...	4.0	9.8
421	329	Nthn Ireland	370	+1	...	3.8	10.1
850	587	Norweb	780	+18	...	3.7	10.3
602	449	PowerGen	557	+5	...	2.8	12.2
486	325	Scottish Power	349	-2	...	4.5	11.0
453	299	Seeboard	410	+10	...	3.6	10.8
840	591	Sth Wales	780	+14	...	4.1	10.6
826	551	Sth Western	743	+15	...	4.0	9.9
837	540	Southern Elec	751	+25	...	3.8	11.7
795	532	Yorkshire Elec	715	+29	...	4.1	13.9

FINANCE, LAND

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
57	51	Aitken Hume	51#	...	...	2.5	...
165	79	BWD	95	...	...	5.5	7.8
126	96	Baltic Plc	125†	...	...	2.8	7.9
215	163	Blozec Inv	165	-2	...	...	...
757	635	Caledonia	682	+1	...	3.0	16.9
2650	1900	Camellia	2375	...	...	1.7	6.4
365	310	Candover	328†	...	...	4.3	...
212	179	Exco	182	-2	...	5.8	9.9
485	353	Govett	364	...	...	4.9	6.2
250	185	Ivory Sime	236	...	...	4.0	16.4
428	150	Johnson Fry	168	...	1.5	1.1	...
245	138	Lon Forfaiting	155†	...	...	7.5	9.7
57	44	Manakin	52	+1	...	...	...
25½	8½	Nat Home Loan	10½	...	...	...	0.4
58	16	Newmarket	16†	...	...	...	...
365	247	Rathbone Bro	263	...	...	4.0	13.0
29	21½	Rutland Tst	27½	...	...	4.1	13.8
369	281½	S & U	330†	...	...	4.1	10.7
114	75	Singer & Fried	81†	+½	...	4.9	10.4
1260	775	Sotheby's	775	-23	...	3.6	33.4
188	116	SP Capital	129	+1	...	2.9	8.0
224	143	Towry Law	143†	...	...	3.9	∞

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2037½	1629½	Amer Express	1858½‡	-6½	...	...	...
154	124	Brewin Dolphin	136	...	...	5.3	10.0
229	157	Gartmore	171†	...	...	2.9	19.8
1208	845	Henderson Ad	918	...	...	6.0	14.6
251½	151	Invesco	155	...	...	3.0	25.4
317	214½	Jardine Strat	239½	+4½	...	3.3	10.2
323	218	MAI	294†	+3	...	4.2	12.7
117½	88½	MAI 5.9% Cv Pf	91½	+1	...	...	...
770	538	MAM	600	...	...	4.7	14.0
1343	794	M & G	940	-3	...	3.8	19.1
496	324	Smith New Ct	334	-1	...	3.7	2.8
65	25	Trio Hldgs	30	...	...	6.3	13.6

FOODS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
607	499	AB Food	527	-3	...	3.6	10.1
68	50½	ASDA Group	64½	+1	...	3.4	14.8
368	265	Acatos & Hutch	283	...	...	3.8	11.3
74	43	Albert Fisher	45	+1	...	10.5	14.7
315	222½	Argyll	265½	-1½	...	5.4	11.6
270	220	Banks (S C)	220	...	...	5.5	8.4
373	305	Barr (AG)	330	...	...	2.3	23.9
72	42	Benson Crsp	44	...	...	6.1	...
481	378	Booker	406†	-2	...	6.8	14.9
56½	48	Borthwick	51	...	...	3.2	21.8
505	413	Brake Bros	427	...	...	2.1	15.3
43	24	Budgen	25	...	...	5.0	15.9
212	156	CPL Aromas	211	...	...	1.8	20.1
545	407	Cadbury-Schw	435†	-4	...	4.4	14.4
232	163	Carrs Milling	188	...	...	3.0	10.2
187	130	Cranswick	149	...	...	6.9	12.4
17	11½	Cullens	14½	+½	...	...	...
154	90	Dalepak	113	-1	...	1.7	∞
543	389	Dalgety	429†	+3	...	6.2	12.0
87	50	Daniels S	54	...	...	0.7	...
294	212	Devro	234†	-1	...	3.7	14.4
101	55	Everest	56†	...	...	5.6	∞
394	344	Farepak	344	...	...	2.4	19.6
8½	5½	Farringford	5½	...	...	...	...
85	68	Finlay (James)	78	...	...	6.8	10.3
108	87	Fyffes	105	...	...	1.7	18.0
371	189	Geest	200	+5	...	5.2	...
20½	13	Global	13†	+½	...	4.8	11.8
68	38	Grand Central	48	...	...	...	...
194	119	Hazlewood Fds	122	...	...	6.9	7.6
196½	151	Hillsdown	169	-4	...	6.6	11.9
28	16	Hobson	23½	+½	...	...	...
211	133	Iceland Group	168†	-1	...	2.9	10.4
111	93	JLI Group	97	...	...	6.2	13.7
656	523	Kwik Save	557	-5	...	4.2	9.7
376	138	Low (Wm)	364	...	...	2.9	12.1
127	85	Matthews (B)	116†	...	...	2.9	13.9
18	9½	Merchant Retail	9½	...	...	2.7	...
149	99	Morrison (W)	135†	...	...	1.0	15.8
246	205	Nichols (JN)	241†	...	...	3.0	15.5
271½	193	Nthn Foods	200	+1	...	5.5	9.8
14	9	Nrthmbrn Fn	11	...	...	...	...
232	177	Nurdin Peack	177†	...	...	4.7	9.8
146	89½	Park Foods	122	...	...	2.5	24.7
81	62	Perkins Food	77	-1	...	7.2	12.9
141	109	PizzaExpress	113†	-1	...	2.2	18.9
5½	1½	Regina Hlth	1½	...	...	...	...
480	342	Sainsbury J	388	-7	...	3.4	13.7
96	73	Sentry Farm	81	...	...	3.5	8.2
122	71	Sims Food	83	...	...	11.3	∞
467½	392	Tate & Lyle	418	-1	...	4.0	10.4
255	200½	Tesco	233½‡	-½	...	4.3	11.7
198	162	Thorntons	175†	...	...	3.5	14.3
238	145	Tresst	218	...	...	2.4	17.8
434½	323	Unigate	336	-1	...	6.4	9.5
388	297	Utd Biscuits	301†	+2	...	6.4	24.6
21	7½	Usborne	8	...	...	5.2	5.9
422	279	Watson & Philip	375	...	...	4.9	15.2
49	34	West Trust	34†	...	...	9.2	23.8

HOTELS, CATERERS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
40	26	Abertn Stk H	34	...	...	...	...
94	76	City Centre Rest	78	...	...	2.9	15.8
285	209½	Forte	228†	-5½	...	4.1	27.0
207	169	Friendly Hotels	180†	+2½	...	4.0	30.1
173½	142½	Jurys Hotel	157½	-9½	...	4.4	14.1
277½	150½	Ladbroke	152†	+1	...	2.9	26.8
109½	77½	Mandarin Orntl	78	...	...	3.9	21.1
31½	18½	Ryan Hotels E	28†	+½	...	4.6	16.0
1135	780	Savoy Hotel 'A'	943	...	...	0.5	...
92	60½	Stakis	81½	...	...	1.8	29.3

INDUSTRIALS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
60	34	AAF Inds	42	...	...	...	...
544	392	AAH	395	-1	...	5.7	14.1
185	119	AIM	150	...	...	3.8	40.0
128	60½	APV	61½	-6	...	8.9	...
220	157	ASW	192†	+1	...	3.9	...
202	148	Adwest	148†	...	...	6.3	15.1
21½	14	Aerospace Eng	18	...	...	5.2	51.0
312	223	Airsprung	244	...	...	2.5	15.2
230	148	Alexdra W	148†	+½	...	4.9	15.8
11½	5½	Allied Radio	9½	...	...	...	...
341	283	Alumasc	341†	...	...	2.2	∞
73	27½	Alvis	35½	...	...	3.5	24.2
880	705	Amber Ind	780	...	...	3.2	16.2
69½	43½	Amberley Gp	54	...	...	2.3	29.5
81	43	Anagen	57	...	...	...	...
95	47	Andrews Sykes	68	...	...	...	...
380	199½	[illegible]	359	...	...	1.2	28.9
62	48	Armour	51½	...	...	4.5	∞
175	158	Ash & Lacy	158†	...	...	5.1	16.3
6	3½	Ass Br Eng	4½	...	...	1.4	58.8
639	474	Avon Rubber	539	+1	...	3.8	23.4
297½	245	Assoc Nursg	265	...	...	1.0	14.3
553	490	Atlas Equip	533†	...	...	5.3	17.8
125	66	Ayrshire Metal	113	...	1.5	1.7	...
236	173	BBA	192½‡	...	...	2.9	...
193	115	BLP Group	163†	...	...	0.8	44.7
51	34½	BM Gp	45½	...	...	...	...
789	627	BOC	672	+1	...	4.3	28.3
86½	59½	BSG	59½‡	...	...	6.7	37.2
576	495	BSS Group	520	...	...	4.3	21.7
401	299	BTR	302½‡	-4½	...	5.2	14.0
176	138	BWI	145	...	...	6.0	∞
40½	26½	Babcock	29½	+½	...	...	...
11	6½	Bailey (CH)	6½	...	...	...	...
230	216	Baird (Wm)	219	-3	...	3.2	18.4
369½	369½	Barlow	487½	...	...	0.7	...
81	64	Baynes (Charles)	78†	...	...	2.8	20.0
25½	17	Bearing Power	23½	...	...	4.0	14.9
95	23	Beaufort	33	+1	...	...	...
35	28	Bedford (W)	32	...	...	...	...
18½	8½	Benson Group	10½	...	...	4.0	∞
393	243	Bespak	276	...	...	4.6	14.2
91	49	Bibby (J)	54	+3	...	4.6	...
226	124	Bilam (J)	124†	...	...	5.3	7.7
39	26	Bilston Batrsea	36	...	...	...	...
10	3½	Bimec Ind	6½#	...	...	...	...
283	243	Birkby	245	...	...	3.1	18.0
84	30	Black Arrow	41	...	...	7.9	10.0
290	233	Black (Peter)	262½	...	...	2.1	18.8
250	135½	Bluebird Toys	223†	+8	...	3.4	6.6
330	262	Bodycote	311	...	...	2.2	21.1
40	28	Bogod 'A'	28	...	...	3.1	∞
75	43	Booth Inds	65	...	...	...	...
28½	17	Boustead	26	...	...	3.8	∞
524	409	Bowater	443†	...	...	3.7	16.6
1865½	1378½	Bowater Inc	1734½	-21½	...	...	...
297	248	Boxmore Intl	281	...	...	1.8	17.9
20	15	Bramsy	15½	...	...	4.3	15.8
370	288	Brammer	340†	...	...	4.8	18.9
31	16	Bridgend Gp	16	...	...	1.6	...
171	120	Bridon	156	...	...	3.2	...
97	74	Bridport-Gndry	96	...	...	2.8	...
57½	44½	Brierley Inv	48½	+½	...	8.7	∞
235	180	Br Bldg & Eng	180	...	...	5.7	∞
124	70	Br Bloodstock	74	...	...	...	66.4
515	435	Br Polythene	445†	...	...	3.4	15.6
172½	121½	Br Steel	158½	+½	...	1.6	58.7
176	45	Br Thornton	45	...	...	16.7	3.9
309	219	Br Vita	237†	...	...	4.0	17.6
180½	131	Brixton Grp	131‡	...	...	2.4	19.3
988	773½	Broken Hill	918	+6	...	2.1	38.9
125	86½	Bromsgrve Ind	89	...	...	6.3	11.3
18½	9½	Brooke Tool	12½	...	...	...	...
71	46	Brown & Tawse	48	...	...	...	...
186	135	Bullough	146	...	...	5.2	24.0
16	7	Business Tech	7½	-½	...	...	...
32	14	CI Group	15	...	...	3.5	...
54	31	Campbell & Arm	43	+1	...	...	...
30	11½	Cannon St	16	...	...	...	6.1
488	303	Cantab Pharms	393	...	...	...	...
278	237	Cape	237	...	...	5.8	15.1
455	254	Caradon	270†	-3	...	4.1	17.9
215½	128½	Caradon pf	133½	-1	7.2	6.8	...
283	248	Carclo Eng	248	...	...	4.6	16.2
10	6	Care UK	6½	...	...	...	...
2440½	1890½	Carnaud Md	2178½	+3½	...	2.2	16.9
104	80	Cassidy Bros	85	...	...	4.0	10.9
155	110	Castings	158	...	...	2.4	17.0
66	31	Cathay Intl	31	...	...	...	...
233	191	Celltech	214	+5	...	...	...
230	155	Chamberlin Hill	160	...	...	5.1	10.1
836	638½	Charter	768	-1	...	3.7	21.8
360	272	Chemring	294	...	...	3.9	15.5
62	46	Chieftain Gp	50	...	...	7.8	11.2
346	152	Christies Intl	164†	...	...	1.5	29.0
80	56	Claybithe	74	+1	...	4.4	∞
688	403	Cohen (A)	540	...	3.4	0.8	...
297	232	Community H	248†	...	...	4.0	14.3
263	185	Concentric	185	-1	...	4.5	15.3
310	240	Cook (Wm)	271	...	...	3.5	13.0
285	227	Cookson	231†	-4	...	3.5	20.9
117	81	Copymore	115	...	...	4.5	16.3
167	108	Crowll-Pkr 'A'	108†	...	...	6.6	24.2
157	109	Croalt	134	...	...	5.8	...
285	190	Creighton Nt	194	...	...	5.0	∞
44	30	CrestaCare	32†	...	...	3.0	...
2062½	18½	Dana	1543½	-43½	...	...	...
398	269	Danka Bs Sys	280	+3	...	0.6	24.7
306	198	David Brown	214†	-½	...	3.8	15.1
1021	825	De La Rue	992	...	...	2.5	21.1
162	133	Denby Group	153	-1	...	2.5	14.9
52	32	Dinkie Heel	34	...	...	5.2	9.8
628	448½	Diploma	454	...	...	3.4	18.2
97	70	Dobson Park	79	-1	...	5.9	15.6
134	92	Dyson (J&J)	92	-2	...	4.8	∞
97	75	Dyson 'A'	75	-1	...	5.8	∞
16	12	EFG	15	...	0.1	0.4	9.8
442	364	EIS	390	...	...	4.0	15.5
25	15	Elbief	17	...	...	...	...
53	25	Eleco	31	-1	...	...	...
3758½	2300	Electrolux 'B'	3250	+62½	...	1.7	54.7
91	60	Elliott (B)	88	...	...	1.4	13.4
447½	321	Eng China Cl	336†	-14	...	6.0	16.2
140	96	Enviromed	120	...	...	0.2	...
3781½	2737½	Ericsson 'B'	3781½	+59½	...	1.0	32.4
86	56	Eurocopy	63	...	...	3.6	18.6
118	60	Expamet	102†	...	...	3.2	72.3
402	334½	Fairey Group	374†	-1	...	2.1	19.8
148	109	Fenner	135	...	...	0.4	...
180	82	Ferraris Group	88	...	...	3.0	13.0
45	34	Ferrum	34	...	...	...	...
78	50	Fife Indmar	60	...	...	5.7	8.8
157	107	Fisons	115	-3	...	3.0	...
60	37	Flextlim	41	-1	...	11.5	...
303	263	Flogas	300	...	...	2.8	12.4
51	38	Folkes Group DV	44†	...	1.5	4.3	...
120	94	French (Thomas)	95	...	...	4.8	18.8
284	205	Frros Group	235†	...	...	2.9	23.7
88	77	GEI Intl	82	...	...	2.3	23.0
660	510½	GKN	609†	+1	...	4.2	35.6
79	49	GR Hldgs	55	...	...	4.1	...
134	91	Garton Eng	127†	...	...	4.6	...
191	115	Gestetner	115	...	...	2.6	...
66	49	Gleves	60	...	...	2.1	38.5
725	520	Glaxo	589†	...	...	5.7	14.4
46	24	Glenchewton	24	...	...	...	26.5
401	321	Glynwed	335	-1	...	4.4	19.4
209	125	Goode Durrant	190	-1	...	3.0	14.0
185	99	Grampian Hdg	99†	-½	...	6.9	18.3
598	475	Granada	512	+5	...	2.2	20.2
85	71	Green (Ernst)	80†	...	...	9.4	∞
15½	10½	Greencare	10½	...	...	4.0	14.3
85	64	Haden MacLn	70†	...	...	3.6	18.1
122	90	Hadleigh	119	...	...	2.1	13.9
78	59	Halkin Hldgs	65	...	...	...	50.7
320	143	Hall Eng	147†	...	...	6.8	11.5
256	204	Halma	222	...	...	1.3	26.1
73	47	Hampson Ind	52	...	...	4.8	9.9
302	221½	Hanson	222	-½	...	6.8	19.9
161	122	Harris (Philip)	140	...	...	6.1	17.3
220	152	Harrison Crsfld	162†	-5	...	6.9	18.4
191	121	Havelock Euro	185	-1	...	2.0	16.8
48	28	Hay (Norman)	31†	...	...	...	...
50	31	Headway	31†	...	...	2.8	24.1
511	284	Hepworth	285†	...	...	6.3	16.8
205	130	Hewitt (J)	130	...	...	3.1	...
75	46	High-Point	46	...	...	1.4	...
184½	137	Hill & Smith	148	...	...	4.9	16.1
191	88	Holders Tech	95	...	...	7.9	10.3
63	39	Hopkinsons	52†	...	...	3.1	...
216	176	Hornby	180	...	...	6.2	15.7
103	78	Howden	85	...	...	3.6	13.6
292	234	Hozelock	247	...	...	3.0	17.6
265	159	Hunting	161	+2	...	8.0	31.1
513	402	Huntleigh Tec	420†	...	...	1.6	19.6
379	286	IMI	294	-2	...	4.3	25.0
138	110	ISA Intl	115†	-1	...	1.0	14.4
165	39	Intercare Gp	39	...	...	11.2	4.2
325	284	Isotron	284†	...	...	2.1	∞
710	409½	Jardine Math	502½	+1½	...	2.8	11.9
628	488	Johnson Matthy	557	-2	...	2.6	22.2
51	37	Johnson & FB	39	-½	...	1.1	...
294	149	Johnston	278†	-1½	...	2.0	33.4
32	25	Jones Shipman	30	...	...	...	...
36	27½	Jourdan (T)	30	...	...	4.2	29.3
191½	143½	Kalon	143½	-1½	...	3.8	13.6
315	230	Kelsey Ind	315	...	...	3.2	...
875	730	Kershaw (A)	865	...	...	4.0	39.8
276	163	Kleeneze	168	...	...	0.7	37.3
444	341	Laird	342†	...	...	4.0	16.1
170	145	Lilleshall	155†	...	...	3.8	16.2
239	205	Lincat	223†	...	...	3.9	13.9
408	313	Linton Park	398†	...	...	5.5	11.4
14	4½	Lionheart	5½	...	...	4.8	...
20½	15	Locker (T) A	16½	...	...	1.5	∞
152½	74	Lon Ind	81½	...	...	...	...
179½	124½	Lonrho	132	...	...	3.8	36.2
438	364	Low & Bonar	413	...	...	3.1	16.5
49	38	ML Hdgs	38	...	...	2.8	13.2
67	49	MS Intl	49	...	...	6.4	29.6
70	45	MY Holdings	54	+1	...	3.8	∞
271	223	Macfarlane	269	...	...	1.9	21.7
530	418	McKechnie	432	...	...	4.3	20.7
127	100	McLeod Russel	111	...	...	6.9	17.3
104	69	Magnolia	69	...	...	0.2	...
179	129	Mang Bronze	145†	...	...	3.4	∞
29½	18½	Marling	25½	...	...	3.2	45.7
231	166	Mayborn	186†	...	...	4.0	12.4
64	53	Mayflower	55†	-1	...	3.1	22.8
187	120	Mellors	163†	...	...	2.2	13.1
120	71½	Meggitt	73†	+½	...	6.7	11.8
120	101	Metalrax	107†	...	...	4.4	17.8
128	99	Metrotect	102	...	...	4.2	13.9
133	99	Mexec	132†	...	...	2.8	18.4
124	69	Midstates	78	...	...	...	10.6
6	3½	Middlesex Hlds ●	5½	...	...	...	...
589	539	Molins	539†	...	...	3.7	10.8
332	313	Morgan Crble	313†	...	...	5.1	15.2
217	176	Morris Ashby	230	...	...	3.6	∞
51	34	Mosegood	36	...	...	4.3	16.6
84	42	Nestor-BNA	47†	...	...	8.4	11.6
274	214	Nobo Gp	227	...	...	3.3	14.6
212½	119	Norcros	125	+1	...	7.0	22.4
35	25	Novo Group	25†	-1	...	1.0	∞
64	48	OMI Intl	49½	-½	...	4.4	...
175	153	PCT	155†	...	...	6.0	∞
91	66	Pacer Systems	71†	...	...	6.2	25.7
46	31	Pascoe's	40	...	...	...	...
123	84	Pentland	95½	-2½	...	3.8	19.0
310	207	Photo-Me	240†	...	...	2.5	25.0
208	162	Pilkington	193	+3	...	2.6	...
55	38	Plant & Gen	54	...	...	4.1	∞
185	82	Plantsbrook	173	...	...	2.5	20.4
185	126	Polypipe	129†	...	...	2.2	∞
44	16	Porter Chadbrn	39	...	...	...	...
341	218	Powerscreen	297	...	...	3.1	13.3
23½	17½	Prospect Inds	17½	-2	...	7.4	7.4
77	56	RPS Group	68†	...	...	4.8	12.3
108	60	Radiant Metal	80	...	...	...	...
447½	355½	Rank Org	415	+2	...	3.8	26.6
71	13	Ransomes	60	...	...	...	...
714½	528	Reckitt Colm	578‡	-1	...	3.9	14.6
95	70	Record	85†	...	...	5.3	19.1
5½	3½	Reece	4	...	...	...	...
291	211	Relyon	259	...	...	2.6	47.3
309	268	Renishaw	302†	-1	...	2.9	∞
185	126	Renold	176½	...	...	1.8	24.5
539½	424	Reuters	459	...	...	1.9	23.0
90	72	Rexmore	78	...	...	4.0	7.9
194	138	Ricardo Group	145†	...	...	5.2	17.6
73	51	Richard (Leics)	51†	-1	...	5.5	36.5
109½	82	Richardson West	82	-1	...	4.9	18.0
164	118½	Ropner	130†	-4	...	7.2	14.7
24	7½	Rotis Op	9	...	...	2.8	...
195	157	Rotork	167†	...	...	3.3	17.0
190	137	Rubicon	137†	...	...	4.2	15.5
103	62	Russell (A)	90†	...	...	3.1	18.5
42	34½	SBP Indl	35	...	...	3.2	16.5
1459½	1071½	SKF 'B'	1159½	-21½	...	...	...
272	186	Scapa	210	...	...	3.5	17.9
210	145	Scholl	152†	...	...	5.3	14.6
295	242	Scotia	263	...	...	...	...
1543	1146	Securicor	1443	-2	...	0.3	35.7
1069	785	Securicor 'A'	941	-2	...	0.4	23.3
892	606	Security Serv	755	-3	...	1.0	23.9
150½	72	Senior Eng	84†	-1	...	5.1	13.7
356	291	Seton Health	348	...	...	3.3	17.2
180	138	Shiloh	158	...	...	2.8	10.5
351½	197½	Sidlaw	196†	...	...	7.0	9.7
630	500	Siebe	529½	+8½	...	2.6	16.8
378	194	Silentnight	233†	+½	...	4.3	14.6
196	137	Sime Darby	162	-2	...	3.4	16.9
130½	75	Simon Eng	102	...	...	...	...
244	178	Sinclair (Wm)	178†	...	...	5.0	13.7
82	35	Six Hundred	81	...	...	2.3	...
159½	136½	Smith & Neph	142½‡	...	...	4.4	15.8
465½	357½	Smithkline	411	-8½	...	3.8	15.0
421	322	Smithkline Uts	374	-8	...	4.1	14.4
527½	411	Smiths Ind	455	+2	...	3.6	17.2
104	41	Silan Bus	50	...	...	8.3	7.3
280	159½	Spandex	253	...	...	1.2	20.3
443	337	Spirax-Sarco	436†	...	...	2.8	18.9
81½	43½	Spring Ram	44	...	...	1.4	...
267	197	Staveley	207	...	...	5.1	60.3
267	197	Sterling Ind	238	...	...	3.3	21.4
220	165	Suter	167‡	...	...	7.0	16.1
604	432	Swire Pacific 'A'	447½	+8½	...	2.1	∞
178	149	Syltone	158	...	...	3.8	17.5
455	343	TI	360	+1	...	4.0	19.9
44	31	TLS Range	36½	...	...	3.4	14.7
402	330	TT Group	350†	+3	...	2.4	∞
232	192	Takare	227	+2	2.0	1.1	19.8
852½	656	Takeda Chem	758½	-14½	...	0.8	14.3
121	92	Tinsley (E)	119	...	...	5.0	10.4
220	175	Titon	175	-2	...	3.1	14.9
283	204	Tomkins	237	-½	...	4.5	13.3
124	74½	Trafalgar H	87	+2	...	1.4	...
105	45	Transfer Tech	58	...	...	7.3	8.1
163	130	Triplex Lloyd	131	-1	...	6.7	∞
313	256	UniChem	269‡	...	...	3.2	15.4
440	245	Unidare	305	...	...	3.5	10.6
54	33	Unigroup	36	...	25.0	2.8	16.3
1247	958	Unilever	1132	...	...	3.0	14.7
8118½	6496½	Unilever (NV)	7284½	+53½	...	0.6	...
18½	12	Utd Inds	15½	...	...	...	...
1328	980	VSEL	1318†	+20	...	3.4	12.7
31½	12	Verson	13½	-½	...	...	...
234	163	Vickers	170½	-2½	...	2.6	18.0
327	242	Victaulic	242	...	...	4.2	13.3
19	9½	Viliers Grp●	11	...	...	...	...
522	451	Vinten	493	-1	...	2.1	12.8
805	661	Vosper Thorny	705	...	...	3.2	15.3
65	37	WSP Hldgs	58	...	...	4.1	34.0
522	451	Wagon Ind	466	...	...	4.8	23.7
114	97	Walker Greenbk	103†	-½	...	4.1	18.4
324	240½	Wassall	283†	-3	...	1.6	24.3
63	44	Wtrford Wdgwd	59	...	...	...	46.0
354½	246½	Weir	285‡	+1	...	2.9	17.0
731	498	Wellcome	622	-26	...	3.4	14.2
220	193	Wellington Hdg	193†	+1	...	3.3	18.6
39½	37½	Wellman	38	...	...	3.0	62.0
400	294	Wstl Hlthcare	364	+3	...	1.5	∞
548	386	Whatman	386†	...	...	3.4	14.2
264	90	Whessoe	112	...	...	9.2	8.6
155½	93	Whitecroft	149	-½	...	1.7	23.5
13½	9½	Widney	10½	...	...	...	...
414½	322	Williams Hldg	335	+1	...	4.9	20.7
58	39½	Wilshaw	58	+1½	...	1.3	23.8
975	705	Wolseley	733	-19	...	2.5	17.8
155	155	Wood (Arthur)	155	...	...	2.4	31.2
69	40	Wyko	68†	...	...	0.9	∞
96	70	Young (H)	73	...	...	5.7	78.1

INSURANCE

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1493½	937½	Alex & Alex	1262½	...	...	5.3	...
2049½	1600	Am Gen	1612½	+12½	...	4.4	...
86	47	Archer	56	...	...	2.2	...
165	85	Bradstock	94	...	...	7.4	10.8
550	370	Britannic	404	+4	...	4.0	...
117	89	CLM Insce	90	...	1.4	2.0	...
701½	481	Com Union	529‡	+2	...	6.0	19.9
1950	1663	Dom & Gen	1670†	...	...	2.1	17.9
64	33	FAI	35	...	...	1.3	...
194	142	Fenchurch Grp	146	...	...	6.2	13.0
757	529	Gen Accident	558†	+1	...	6.2	9.0
247	161	GRE	168†	+1½	...	5.2	21.0
457	238	Heath C E	240	-2½	...	8.3	...
323	239	Independent	254†	...	...	4.3	6.9
203	126	HB Group	134†	-1	...	7.0	12.3
547	402	Legal & Gen	436†	...	...	5.9	17.3
1415½	965½	Liberty Life	1381½‡	...	...	7.3	5.5
119	91	LIMIT	94	...	...	1.3	∞
471	322	Lloyds Abbey	330	...	...	7.0	10.0
310	157	Lloyd Thomp	178†	+4	...	5.5	11.7
185	159	Lombard Ins	176	...	...	5.5	16.8
443	313	Londn & Man	325†	+2	...	6.2	16.2
236	170	Lowndes Lmb	170	...	...	5.5	10.7
5693½	4606½	Marsh McLn	4712½	...	...	3.8	...
188	147	Nelson Hurst	174†	...	...	4.0	17.4
129½	109	Ortel	113†	...	...	5.5	∞
83	34	PWS	34	...	...	11.0	...
385	271	Prudential	302†	-1	...	5.6	13.0
404	261	Refuge	278†	+1	...	5.2	20.5
350	232½	Royal	280	+5	...	4.0	7.0
222	139	Sedgwick	152†	...	...	4.9	17.2
155	104	Steel Burrill	113†	...	...	10.0	...
87	54	Sturge Hldgs	76	...	...	4.9	...
418	285	Sun Alliance	325†	...	...	5.8	9.0
96	51	Trade Indemnty	63†	...	...	1.8	14.0
464	332	Transatlantic	335	...	...	4.5	30.3
673	460	Utd Friendly	500	...	...	4.3	25.7
245	133	Willis Corroon	154	...	...	5.4	14.9
28	20	Windsor	25	...	...	...	19.6



INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
336	280	3i	317	-2	...	2.6	...
2058	1703	Alliance	1753	-7	...	3.4	...
479	401	Anglo & O'seas	415	+1	...	2.2	...
161	117	BZW Conv	123†	...	...	7.9	∞
239	173	Bankers	182†	+1	...	2.7	...
381	311	Baring Tribne	324	+1	...	2.5	...
248	198	Berry Starq	220	...	2.2	1.2	∞
120½	91½	Br Assets	93½	...	...	5.8	...
98	89	Br Empire Sec	91	...	...	1.3	...
46	31	Br Empire Wts	37	...	...	...	...
234	188	Br Inv	206	-1	...	2.9	...
272	221	Brunner	235	...	...	2.8	...
223	194	Cont Assets	195	...	...	1.9	...
173	147	Derby Inc	156	...	...	12.6	...
328	268	Derby Cap	290	...	...	...	...
100	73	Drayton Blue	76	-1	...	13.8	...
111	84	Drytn Eng Intl	89	...	...	1.1	...
156	128	Drytn Far East	138	...	...	0.6	...
784	613	Dunedin Inc G	627	-1	...	5.2	...
108	85	Dunedin Japan	88½	-1	...	...	...
80	42	Dunedin Wts	42	...	...	...	...
341	292	Dunedin Smlr	310	...	...	3.6	...
827	725	Dunedin Wwde	771	...	...	1.5	...
360	281	Edinburgh	301½	+½	...	3.6	...
354	286	Electra Inv	319	...	...	2.8	...
220	185	Electric Gen	196	+1	...	2.0	...
127	106	English Scot	112	-1	...	...	...
345	286	European Asset	295	...	...	2.0	...
174	145	Fidlty Euro Val	152½	+½	...	0.2	...
103½	86	Fidlty Jap Val	86	...	...	...	...
172	146	Finsbury 'A'	155	...	3.0	2.4	...
343	276½	Fleming Amer	285½	-½	...	0.5	...
145	75	Fleming Chinese	78	-1	...	...	...
92	37½	Fleming Wts	38	...	...	...	...
267	196	Fleming Claver	208†	...	...	3.3	...
385	302½	Fleming Contl	312	...	...	0.9	...
264	190	Fleming Eurp	205	+1	...	2.9	...
459	327	Fleming F East	359	-2	1.5	0.5	...
422	354	Fleming Fledg	354	-1	...	1.1	...
120	89	Fleming Fl Inc	93	...	...	5.9	...
284	223	Fleming Japan	255	-2	...	0.2	...
347	269½	Fleming Merc	276†	...	...	3.0	...
347½	280½	Fleming Oseas	290†	...	...	1.8	...
155½	126½	Foreign & Col	133½	-1	...	1.7	...
148	106½	Frgn Emg Mkts	126½	-3	0.2	0.3	...
77	64½	Frgn Enterprise	71	...	...	1.1	...
261	216	Frgn Eurotst	226	...	...	0.7	...
145	116	Frgn German	119	...	...	0.5	...
374	307	Frgn Pacific	322†	-1	...	1.0	...
192	159½	Frgn Smaller	165½	...	...	1.5	...
303	242	GT Japan	242†	-2	...	0.6	...
200	150	Genl Cons Cap	156	...	...	...	...
115½	105	Genl Inc	108	...	...	10.1	...
191	139	Govett Am Smlr	141	...	...	...	...
151	101	Gov Emg Mks	120	...	...	0.3	...
96½	80	Gov Glob Smlr	87	...	...	...	...
112	78	Govett High Inc	81	...	...	7.0	...
429	349	Govett Oriental	400	-1	...	0.3	...
346	234	Govett Strategic	235	+1	...	3.7	∞
475	410	Greenfriar	418	...	...	2.0	...
19	19	Gresham House	19	...	...	...	...
105	86	Herald	92	...	...	...	...
99	90	Int Biotech	90	...	...	...	...
50	30	Int Wts	38	...	...	...	...
158	122	Inv Cap	126	...	...	5.1	...
119	94	[illegible] UK Smllr	103	...	...	3.4	...
177	126	INVESCO Korea	161	...	...	...	...
243	195	Kleinwort Chrt	198	-½	...	3.3	...
88½	75½	Klnwt Euro Prvt	77½	-1	...	...	...
49	27½	Klnwt Euro Wts	27½	...	...	...	...
272½	230½	Klnwt O'seas	232	...	...	1.8	...
165	131	Klnwt Smlr	131†	...	...	3.0	...
826	672	Law Debenture	719	+2	...	3.4	...
227	190	Majedie	193	...	...	3.2	...
324	237	Merchants	256†	+2	...	5.5	...
90	79½	Mercury Euro Pv	83½	+1	...	...	...
45	28½	Mercury Wts	30½	...	...	...	...
125	98	Merc Wld Mg	110½	...	...	...	...
52½	35	Mercury Wld Wts	39	...	...	...	...
2087½	2087½	Merrill Lynch	2175	-31½	...	...	...
595	492	Monks Inv Tst	514	...	...	1.7	...
158	127	Morg Gren Inc	130	+1	...	4.3	...
64	43	Morg Wts	51	-½	...	...	...
111	87	Morg Latn Amer	105½	...	...	...	...
65	39	Morg Wts	59½	-½	...	...	...
148	109	Murray Ent	114‡	...	...	2.2	...
38	34	Murray Wts	35	...	...	...	...
68	54	Murray Euro	59½	...	...	0.6	...
23½	16	Murray Wts	17	...	...	...	...
393	317	Murray Incme	322†	+3	...	4.6	...
395	319	Murray Intl	329†	+4	...	4.8	...
548	424	Murray Small	479	...	...	1.1	...
97	82	Murray S/C Inc	87	...	...	15.2	...
174	135	Murray S/C Cap	147	...	...	...	...
3400	2950	Murray S/C Uts	2850	...	...	4.6	...
162	153	Murray S/C DP	158	-½	...	...	...
363	302½	Murray Vent	305†	+1	...	4.7	∞
95	61	Nwthrog Inc	62†	...	...	8.7	...
404	333	O'seas Inv Tst	347	...	...	1.1	...
241	179	O'seas Wts	205	...	...	...	...
640½	453	Pacific Assets	517	...	...	0.5	...
542	335	Pacific Wts	415	...	...	...	...
9400	7900	Personal Assets	8700†	...	195	2.8	...
189	164½	RIT Cap Ptnr	176	...	...	1.1	...
127	112½	River & Merc	114	...	...	10.1	...
449	412	Robeco	412	...	...	3.1	...
465	415	Rolinco	422	...	...	1.8	...
343	290	St Andrew Inv	300	...	...	3.2	...
183	150½	Scot American	156½	...	...	3.9	...
368	238	Scot Asian	288	-1	...	...	...
1070	663	Scot Wts	813	...	...	...	...
97½	77	Scot Eastern	79½	...	...	2.5	...
262½	208	Scottish	214	+1	...	2.9	∞
264½	205	Scottish Mrge	221½	-½	...	2.3	...
133½	105½	Scottish Value	106	...	...	2.3	...
1795	1515	Second Allnce	1563†	-5	...	3.4	∞
106	77½	Secs Tst of Scot	80½	-½	...	5.0	...
179	146	Selective Asset	155	...	...	1.3	...
51½	37½	Sphere Inv	37½	-1	...	8.4	...
205	149	TR Far East	161	...	...	4.0	...
177½	133½	TR City Of Lon	142½‡	+1½	...	4.6	...
129½	80	TR Pacific	116	-1	...	0.2	...
43½	32	TR Property	33‡	-½	...	3.4	...
152	108	TR Tech Inv	108	-1	...	2.0	...
228	182	TR Smlr Cos	186	...	...	2.6	...
412	310	Temple Bar	332	+1	...	5.1	...
135	102	Thrmtn Asian E	106	...	...	0.6	...
101	72½	Throgmorton	73½	-½	...	3.9	...
568	468	Thrng Dual Cp	510	...	...	...	...
289	233	USDC Invest	241	...	...	2.3	...
129	108½	Value Inc Tst	110½	...	...	4.8	...
257½	205	Witan	225½	+½	...	3.2	...

LEISURE

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
578½	417	Airtours	439	-5	...	2.6	15.2
46½	18	Ald Leis	18	...	...	...	...
177	144	Alpha Airpts	149†	...	...	3.4	...
131	85	Baldwin	113†	...	...	3.9	19.4
333	267	Barr & W 'A'	300†	...	...	4.2	12.5
365	231	Boosey Hwks	344†	...	...	1.9	20.4
205	133	Border TV	184	...	...	2.7	15.4
7½	3	Brent Walker	3½	...	...	...	...
200	100	Bristol Scotts	200†	+3	...	1.9	...
7½	2½	Buckingham Int	2½	...	...	...	...
74	35	Campari	35	...	...	...	...
439	328	Capital Radio	346	+1	...	2.3	30.5
1047	797	Carlton Comm	833	+7	...	2.9	18.4
247	114	Chrysalis	231	...	3.2	1.8	...
374	305	Compass Gp	323	-1	...	2.6	19.0
290	232	Eurocamp	269	...	9.9	4.6	11.1
213	78	Euro Disney	78	...	...	...	...
4	2½	Euro Leisure	2½	...	...	...	...
455	308	Fairline Boats	435	...	...	3.4	30.3
131	81	First Choice	112	-2	...	3.9	...
350	262	First Leisure	264†	...	...	3.1	17.5
479	309	Flextech	479	...	...	...	...
1033	675	GWR Gp	805	...	...	1.5	32.4
356	228	Grampian	336	...	...	2.8	18.0
172	106	HTV Group	147†	...	...	1.5	32.9
96	34	Hi-Tec Sports	39†	+3	...	8.9	5.7
19½	11½	Kunick	14½	+½	...	...	...
263	200	London Clubs	249	...	...	6.0	12.7
702	539	Man Utd	650†	...	...	4.0	∞
15	13½	My Kinda Town	13½	...	...	...	...
67	34	Northern	62	-1	...	6.2	9.9
102	65½	The Pelican Gp	96	...	...	1.4	∞
183	125	Prism Leisure	125	...	...	4.2	8.8
43	28	Quadrant Grp	30	...	...	...	...
278	205	Ramsdens (H)	263	...	...	2.1	39.6
628	395	Scott Radio	583	-2	...	2.3	22.8
574	355	Scot TV	440†	...	...	3.6	28.5
40½	21½	SelecTV	22½	...	...	...	...
350	295½	Stanley Leisure	322	...	...	2.0	18.4
153	125	Sunset & Vine	133	+4	3.5	3.3	20.3
345½	280	Tanjong	280	...	...	0.7	15.7
167	75	Tottenham Hot	127†	-8	...	1.0	34.1
760	518	Ulster TV	708	...	...	2.9	21.8
151	129	VCI	151	...	...	1.7	13.5
149	112	Vardon	127†	...	...	1.2	22.5
396	150	Yorkshire TV	395	...	...	...	...
149	110	Zetters Gp	137	...	...	7.8	∞

MINING

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
3762½	2509½	Ang Am	3640½	-62½	...	1.9	34.9
3550	1782½	Ang Am Coal	3468½	...	...	2.6	18.8
7331½	4593½	Ang Am Gold	7228½	-31½	...	3.2	22.0
36	25	Anglo Pac Res	25½	...	...	...	...
1512½	1196½	Ashanti	1325	-6½	...	...	...
404	225	Bakyrchik	292	...	...	...	...
184	90½	Blyvoors	164½	-1½	...	...	...
37	12½	Bracken	21½	...	...	4.1	...
898	580½	Buffels	783½	-23	...	6.8	∞
6	2½	Butte	2½	...	...	...	...
968	745½	CRA	856	+8	...	2.4	28.0
55½	36	Cluff Res	44	...	...	...	...
143	28½	Coal Inv	110	+2	...	...	...
1750	1318½	De Beers	1537½	-31½	...	3.4	16.5
148	88	Deelkraal	124½	-3	...	2.8	11.1
101½	30½	Doornfontein	92½	-3	...	...	...
1036½	665½	Driefontein	1017½	-19½	...	4.1	15.1
941½	549½	Durban	936½	+7½	...	...	...
203½	107	E Rand Gold	178½	...	...	11.3	5.9
122½	59½	E Rand Prop	96	...	...	...	...
513	307½	Elandsrand	510½	...	...	3.1	12.0
1239	741½	FS Cons	1086½	-23	...	5.2	13.6
82	27	FS Dev	82	...	...	1.5	...
1975	1193½	GFSA	1937½	...	...	1.9	29.3
233½	108½	Gencor	230½	+3	...	1.1	39.2
80½	53½	GM Kalgoorli	58	...	...	2.3	22.5
22	14	Greenwich R 'A'	20½	...	...	...	...
202	105½	Grootvlei	190½	...	...	4.8	10.4
680½	319½	Harmony	650	+6½	...	...	...
430	268½	Hartles	356½	-24½	...	7.9	10.6
1512½	831½	Impala Plat	1475	...	...	1.7	46.2
1315½	890½	Kinross	1153½	...	...	4.1	16.2
1094½	598½	Kloof	1078½	-15½	...	2.9	11.4
137	69½	Leslie	126	+1½	...	8.3	7.5
368½	176½	Loraine	334½	...	...	...	...
1137½	887½	Lydenburg	1137½	...	...	2.0	...
162	118	MIM	130	+2	...	1.7	...
1762½	1606½	Minorco	1631½‡	-18½	...	2.1	∞
201½	145½	Nth Brkn Hill	173	...	...	2.9	26.7
905	790	RTZ	867†	+5	...	3.0	24.7
500	187½	Rand Mines	462½	...	...	2.3	17.5
840½	547½	Randfontein	706½	-38½	...	6.9	9.0
295	207	Renison	235	...	...	...	...
1809½	1078½	Rustnbrg	1781½	-6½	...	1.6	∞
756	539½	St Helena	710½	-11½	...	6.1	∞
2887½	1484½	Southvaal	2065½	-28½	...	4.1	24.3
143	73	Stilfontein	122½	-3	...	17.1	4.2
261½	90	Unisel	218	...	...	2.7	17.0
7600	4943½	Vaal Reefs	6571½	-153½	...	3.8	10.9
1186½	508½	Western Areas	1186½	+34½	...	5.9	11.3
3675	2050	Western Deep	3509½	-65½	...	2.9	12.3
398	300½	Wstrn Mining	371	+4	...	1.0	∞
1225	603½	Winkels	1059½	+78½	...	4.4	15.1
66	50	Zambia Copper	52	...	...	...	...
66	48	Zandpan	61	...	...	8.1	12.3

MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
283	233	Abbey Panels	283	...	...	...	...
156	108	Airflow Stream	156	...	...	3.2	23.2
175	117	Appleyard	120	...	...	6.0	21.3
405	263	Bletchley Mtr	263	...	...	5.0	10.8
306	180	Bostrom	295†	+1	...	2.5	16.8
584	390	Br Aerospace	470†	+1	...	2.4	41.3
57	36	Burndene	36	-1	...	6.9	10.5
466	280	Caffyns	280	...	...	5.1	18.9
22	13	Caverdale	13	-½	...	1.4	13.2
130	98	Central Mtr	98	...	...	4.5	24.2
51	32½	Cook (DC)	38	+1	...	3.3	∞
348	201	Cowie	202	+1	...	5.1	9.0
192½	127	Dag Motors	140†	...	...	5.8	16.1
158	113	Davnprt Vern	156	...	...	2.6	15.5
332	275	ERF	323	...	...	0.8	...
234	202	Eurodollar	214	...	...	5.0	16.7
173	106	European Mtr	111	...	...	4.8	11.6
539½	395	Evans Halshaw	406	...	...	4.4	12.8
310	235	FR Group	307†	+½	...	3.2	15.3
2959½	1667½	Ford Motor	1775	+12½	...	...	...
4387½	2537½	General Mtr	2537½	-106½	...	1.9	...
90	60	Gowrings	74†	...	...	3.4	22.5
342½	266½	Henlys	274†	+1	...	3.4	14.7
1239	918½	Honda Motor	1090	-5½	...	0.4	...
68	35	Jacks (Wm)	58	...	...	...	13.4
184	145	Kwik-Fit	152†	...	...	3.3	17.4
573	335	Lex Service	335	...	...	5.0	12.8
282	162	Lookers	190	...	...	4.5	11.8
239	158	Lucas	193†	-1	...	4.5	...
29½	24	Malaya Grp	24#	...	...	1.3	...
310	232	Pendragon	236	+1	...	4.0	15.5
238	165	Perry Gp	165†	...	...	5.3	9.0
218	143	Quicks Group	143†	...	...	4.6	15.1
204	161	Rolls-Royce	173½‡	-½	...	3.6	30.6
261	203	T & N	215†	-2½	...	6.3	18.7
333	263	Trinity Hldgs	311	...	...	2.6	22.3
221	160	Vardy (Reg)	160	...	...	3.6	15.1

NEWS, PUBLISHERS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
355	198	Adscene	291	...	...	2.8	20.8
345	320	Black (A&C)	335†	...	...	5.0	14.2
402	213	Blenheim Gp	255	-7	...	5.1	9.4
413	365	Bristol	376	...	...	4.1	26.0
1650	1100	Daily Mail	1384½	...	...	1.4	32.4
1484½	868½	Daily Mail 'A'	1018½	...	...	1.9	23.9
314	260	Dorling Kind	290	...	...	1.4	∞
641	538	Elsevier	600½	-13½	...	3.2	19.4
469	361½	EMAP	365	-3	...	3.0	22.7
1975	1450	Euromoney Pb	1738	...	...	2.9	30.6
194	32	Harrington K	42	...	...	3.0	∞
515	328	Haynes Pub	423†	-12	...	2.7	25.1
408	333	Hodder H'line	333†	...	...	2.0	54.2
180	120	Home Counts	175	...	...	3.6	42.9
237	161	Intl Bus Comm	218†	...	...	2.0	10.6
15	8	Int Cm & Data	9½	...	...	...	...
340	223½	Independent	285	...	...	2.7	9.7
669	551	Johnstone Press	620†	+2	...	1.5	22.8
110	43	MAID	52	...	...	...	78.9
492	338	Metal Bulletin	476	...	...	2.9	24.7
177½	131	Midland Ind	135†	...	...	2.6	18.5
203	121	Mirror Gp	143†	...	...	0.9	7.6
514½	364	News Corp	375	-1	...	0.4	25.1
314	234	News Intl	247	-1	...	0.7	13.1
735	552	Pearson	594†	-6	...	2.8	20.4
760	626	Portsmth Sund	628	-2	...	2.1	15.5
964	722	Reed Int	745	+1	...	3.3	22.5
249	187	Southnews	227	...	...	1.6	29.8
200	136	Sterling Pub	138†	...	...	3.3	11.8
622	310	Telegraph	338	...	...	4.8	11.9
885	695	Thomson Corp	725	+10	30.1	5.2	36.2
472	389	Trinity Intl	399†	...	...	3.2	17.9
45	18½	Unit Group	35	...	...	...	...
731	479	Utd Nwspaprs	508†	-5	...	5.6	12.3

OILS, GAS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
39½	24½	Aran Energy	39	+½	...	...	23.6
53	35	Arcon Intl	43	+1	...	...	...
74½	59	Aus Oil & Gas	61½	-1½	...	...	...
67	43	Aviva Pet	50	...	...	...	...
9	6	Beverley	6½#	...	...	...	64.6
249	197	Br Borneo	213†	...	...	4.2	10.0
358	253	British Gas	282½‡	-1	...	6.4	...
430	340	Br Petroleum	416½‡	+7½	...	2.8	22.5
4	1½	Bula Resources	3½	...	...	...	...
919	811	Burmah Castrl	837†	-2	...	4.1	16.6
84	56	Cairn Energy	77	...	...	...	42.4
375	258	Calor Gp	288	-1	...	5.5	13.6
51	33	Clyde Pet	40†	...	...	1.1	...
30	13½	Coplex Res	13	...	...	...	...
2½	1½	Dragon Oil	1½‡	...	...	...	...
27½	17	Edin Oil & Gs	22	...	...	...	23.7
486	375	Enterprise	375†	...	...	3.3	...
26½	21	Fairhaven Intl	22½‡	...	...	5.4	9.2
8½	4½	Fortune	5½	...	...	...	...
77	54	Goal Pet	67	...	...	2.7	22.3
47	31	Gt Western Res	43½	...	...	...	...
177	137	Hardy O & G	147	...	...	0.9	18.8
55	40	Kelt Energy	50	...	...	3.3	...
169	110½	Lasmo	150	...	...	0.8	...
73	52	Lasmo Units	52†	...	7.8	18.8	...
75	55	Monument	70	...	...	...	74.8
7½	3½	New London	4	...	...	...	...
50	36	Oil Search	44	+1	...	...	...
50½	17½	Paimr	30½	+1½	...	...	...
168	148	Pict Pet	148	...	...	...	∞
111	89	Pittencrieff Rs	80	-5	...	...	...
32½	21½	Premier	26½	...	...	...	14.4
158	113	Presidio	113	...	...	5.9	...
282	179	Ramco Egy	224	...	...	0.3	...
463	335	Ranger	365	...	...	5.4	...
7700	6681½	Royal Dtch Ft	6871½	+18½	...	4.6	17.9
4084½	3340½	Schlumberger	3340½	-15½	...	2.1	...
67	50	Seafield	67	...	...	...	...
756	651	Shell	700½	-½	...	4.5	21.2
187	128	Sunrise Eng Sv	128	...	...	...	...
237	178½	Woodside	232	+2	...	1.6	...
110	28	XCL	69	...	...	...	...

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1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
184	138	AG Holdings	139	...	...	4.7	12.6
444	365	API	388	...	...	3.0	22.3
316	237	Arjo Wiggins	248†	+3	...	3.3	37.4
365	270	Abbott Mead	345‡	...	...	2.1	31.2
33	17½	Aegis Gp	25½	...	...	...	...
205	145	Aspen Cmns	165†	...	...	3.8	16.8
26	15	BBB Design	15	-1	...	...	7.7
472	373	Bemrose	373†	-1	...	4.1	13.3
17½	6½	Birkdale	6½	...	...	...	...
186	139	Bunzl	162†	...	...	3.2	19.1
169	117½	CIA Gp	135	-1	...	1.6	21.8
198	129	Capital Inds	168†	...	...	3.3	13.2
99	76	City of Lon	83	...	...	6.6	12.7
439	300	Cropper (James)	300	...	...	1.5	15.1
114	78	Delyn Group	83†	+1½	...	2.5	15.1
137	103	Dolphin Pack	104†	...	...	5.4	13.4
83	66	Dudley Jenkins	66	...	...	6.2	14.6
17½	12	Elswick	16½	...	...	2.5	17.9
101	75	Fairway Group	84	...	...	5.1	15.7
430	302	Ferguson Intl	344	+7	...	4.7	14.5
145	122	Ferry Pick	123†	...	...	5.8	...
227	188	Filofax	201†	...	...	1.1	19.9
17½	8	Fitch	12	...	...	...	...
149	132	Gibbon Lyons	139	...	...	4.9	13.0
275	171	Gold Greenless	175†	...	...	3.8	∞
34	23	Goodhead	25	...	...	0.2	...
30	3	Hunterprint	3½	...	...	...	...
162	124	Intereurope	126†	...	...	7.7	∞
282	248	Jarvis Porter	282	+1	...	2.3	20.3
33½	20½	Lopex	21	...	...	1.5	23.7
431	344	More O'Ferrall	351†	...	...	4.7	20.3
425	230	Osborne & Little	392	...	...	2.1	14.3
60	31	Osprey Comms	31	-1	...	0.4	...
820	513	Portals	715	...	...	2.9	19.3
3	1½	Premier Hlth	1½	-½	...	...	...
339	253	Quarto	253†	...	...	3.0	13.8
412	314	St Ives Gp	318†	...	...	2.5	∞
178	127	Saatchi	155	...	...	...	30.2
1111	404½	Sappi	1082½	...	...	0.5	...
30½	14½	Serif	15	+½	...	...	...
57	20½	Shandwick	47	...	...	1.1	7.1
573	398	Smith David	521	...	...	2.6	23.2
420½	274½	Smurfit (Jeff)	372†	-3	...	1.5	52.9
119	82	Somic	82	...	...	3.8	8.8
254	183	Sta-Plus	183†	...	...	6.2	17.4
40½	25½	Taylor Nelson	37½	...	...	2.1	22.5
161	115	VTR	128	...	...	3.9	20.3
36½	24	WACO	24	...	...	2.6	11.7
129	63½	WPP	106†	...	...	1.2	15.2
270	182	Wace	224	...	...	2.2	14.3
291	209	Waddington (J)	223	...	...	4.8	10.9
511	365	Watmough	387†	...	...	2.2	24.5
45	29	Whatney Mck	38	...	...	...	...
132	98	Wyndeham	129	...	...	2.2	18.7

PROPERTY

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
130	96	Allied Lon	96	...	...	5.2	12.0
48	36	Arcadian	40	...	...	...	...
27½	253	Argent	265	...	...	...	...
10½	1½	Ascot Hldgs	2½	...	...	...	...
144	109	Asda	117†	...	...	2.4	20.8
191	113	Avonside	119†	-2	...	4.6	14.0
382½	238	Bilton	246†	...	...	4.9	17.9
108	72	Bourne End	83	...	...	1.5	...
276	183	Bradford	188	...	...	4.3	13.2
474	360	Br Land	394	+1	...	2.4	34.5
137	116	Brightstone	116†	...	...	4.0	26.3
276	177	Brixton	187†	-2	...	5.4	16.6
118	86½	Burford	90	...	...	2.2	29.2
112	99	CLS Hldgs	99†	...	...	6.2	...
207½	125½	Cap & Regnl	137†	+½	...	1.5	31.0
229	191	Cap Shop Ctrs	206	...	...	3.9	48.6
325	223	Cardiff Prop	223	...	...	1.4	49.9
185	152	Chelsfield	161†	...	...	1.9	54.7
678	494	Chesterfield	494	...	...	3.2	22.0
112	94	Chesterton Intl	96	...	...	4.3	13.5
84	36	City Site Ests	63	...	...	...	...
12½	6½	Clarke Nickolls	7†	...	...	1.8	14.6
87½	77½	Compco	77½‡	...	...	6.3	∞
56	30	Conrad Ritlat GS	34†	...	...	1.8	29.7
1755	1328	Daejan	1330	...	...	2.7	15.5
29½	5	Dares Estates	8½	...	...	...	...
156	98½	Debenham Twsn	98½	...	...	4.4	16.0
17	6	De Morgan	6	...	...	...	...
189	161	Dencora	164	...	...	2.5	46.1
347½	250	Derwent Hldgs	250	-2	...	2.3	22.2
41	21	Development Sec	23†	-1	...	0.5	...
51	45	Dwyer	46	...	...	...	...
460	275	Estates Agency	325†	...	...	4.0	38.3
47	18	Estates Gen	36	...	...	...	...
132	100	Evans Of Leeds	112	...	...	2.8	19.6
43½	24	Ex-Lands	27½‡	...	...	1.9	∞
80	65	Fiscal Prop	65†	...	...	1.2	...
37	23½	Five Oaks	23½	...	...	1.1	...
78	45	Fletcher King	45	...	...	4.2	22.3
536	407	Frogmore	433†	...	...	4.9	15.6
325	228	Grainger	253	-1	...	3.0	∞
260	174	Gr Portland	179	-2	...	5.6	34.1
226½	118	Greycoat	122	+1	...	...	...
269	148½	HK Land	148½	-½	...	4.1	∞
94	39	Hambro Cntyw	45	...	...	0.7	45.7
435	311	Hammerson	341†	+3	...	3.7	34.2
390	298	Helical Bar	351†	...	...	2.2	12.6
40½	29½	Hemingway	30	...	...	1.7	51.5
78	24	Herring Baker	26	...	...	4.8	...
311½	136½	Jermyn	140†	...	...	...	70.1
792	588	Land Sec	605	-6	...	5.0	17.2
122	86	Lon Merch Sec	98	...	...	5.4	14.4
16	8	Lon & Metro	8	...	...	...	0.4
562	409	MEPC	433	+5	...	5.8	24.9
13½	6	McInerney A	6	...	...	...	...
190	164	McKay Secs	181	...	...	3.6	17.9
85	59	Merivale Mre	68†	...	...	3.7	10.4
55	27	Moorfield Est	34	+2	...	3.7	...
1425	1159½	Mountview	1159½	...	...	2.4	11.5
196	144	Mucklow (A&J)	151	...	...	5.3	19.6
59	20	OEM	21	...	...	...	...
64	34	Olives Prop	34	...	...	...	12.7
2½	0½	ORB	0½	...	...	...	...
191	145	PSIT	146	...	...	4.0	20.7
399	241	Peel	242	...	...	2.3	∞
162	144½	Pillar Prop	144½	-7½	...	3.2	...
12½	3	Power Corp	3	...	...	...	...
9½	4½	Premier Land	5½	...	...	...	...
53	32	Raglan	33	...	...	...	12.1
40	24½	Regalian	24½	...	...	...	9.3
180	140	Rowlinson Secs	170	...	...	1.3	10.8
134	106	Rugby Est	107†	...	...	2.6	...
64	45	St Modwen Prp	51½	...	...	2.9	12.8
78	59	Saville Grdn (I)	66†	...	...	5.1	19.2
100	63	Savills	63	...	...	4.5	10.2
108	80	Scot Met	80	-5	...	2.5	...
135	99	Shaftesbury	99	...	...	...	...
307	221	Slough Estates	222	-1	...	4.6	47.5
103	56	Southend Prop	60	+2	...	5.0	...
133	106	Specty Shops	108	...	...	2.8	...
50	10	Stanhope Prps	12	...	...	...	...
39	34	TBI	35½	-½	...	...	1.9
244	167	Tops Ests	168	...	...	1.6	40.0
163	116	Town Centre	122	...	...	4.0	∞
107	89	Trafford Park	89†	-2	...	4.4	∞
58	28	UK Land	47	...	...	...	...
317	220	Warner	224	-1	...	6.2	21.5
260	218	Warnford	225	...	...	4.4	18.4
7½	1½	Waterglade	2#	...	...	...	...
103½	63	Wates	70	...	...	...	...
105	68	Wood John D	71	...	...	3.5	∞

SHOES, LEATHER

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
45	31	Automagic	37	...	...	...	...
173	163	Chamb Phipps	172	...	...	5.3	22.6
202½	134	Lambert	134†	...	...	6.4	12.7
75	53	Pittards	68	...	...	3.3	...
26	19	Strong & Fisher	21	...	...	6.0	14.3
181½	151½	Stylo	165	...	...	2.0	11.1
69	49	UK Safety	49†	...	...	6.6	12.0

TEXTILES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
617	486	Allied Text	509	+1	...	3.2	15.6
71	40	Beckman (A)	40†	...	...	11.2	∞
39½	15½	Bolton Gp	17	...	...	...	...
226	171	Br Mohair	199†	...	...	5.3	20.5
385	292	Claremont Ga	316†	...	...	3.0	17.6
593	451	Courtauld Text	487†	-1	...	3.7	21.9
159½	119	Dawson	139	...	...	2.7	...
42	28	Drummond	29	...	...	...	12.9
80	72	Faupel	75	...	...	8.2	12.7
29	18	Foster (John)	19	...	...	...	...
168	113	Gaskell	145†	...	...	3.7	...
33	25½	Helene Plc	28†	-½	...	9.0	11.5
263	222	Hicking Pntcst	231	...	...	2.5	16.4
73	55	Jerome (S)	60†	...	...	1.7	7.6
485	333	Lamont	356†	-½	...	4.4	11.8
340	265	Leeds	278	...	...	2.7	14.2
101	68	Lyles (S)	83	-1	...	5.4	8.4
286	171	Parkland	177	...	...	3.7	10.2
112	77	Readicut	80½	+½	...	5.3	13.8
70	46	SEET	47	...	...	...	...
146	98	Sirdar	98†	...	...	6.9	14.2
64	50	Stirling Gp	60	...	...	4.0	16.6
46	33	Stoddard	34	...	...	5.9	12.8
330	214	Tomkinsons	214	...	...	6.7	20.2
289	239	Yorklyde	270	...	...	2.9	13.0

TOBACCOS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
570	372	BAT	430†	+2	...	6.0	11.3
489	337	Rothmans	411	...	...	4.0	21.9

TRANSPORT

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
313½	228	Assoc Br Ports	229†	-1	...	2.2	22.3
541½	440	BAA	503	+2	...	2.2	21.4
128	103½	Badgerline	119†	...	...	4.3	...
496½	344	Br Airways	370	-7	...	3.8	11.6
108	75	Clarkson (H)	91†	...	...	2.4	22.9
592½	195	Eurotunnel Uts	221	+12	...	...	...
87	50	Fisher (James)	50	...	...	...	...
155	126½	[illegible] Steam	129	+2	...	4.3	9.8
63	39	Jacobs (JI)	57†	+2	...	3.6	...
111	87	Lon O'Seas Frts	87	-2	...	5.3	2.1
534	380	Mersey Docks	400†	...	...	3.0	19.4
347	245	Natl Express	310	...	...	3.1	17.9
291	157	NFC	181	+4	...	4.9	22.8
348	246	Ocean Group	258†	+2	...	6.9	13.0
91	58	Ocean Wilson	70	...	...	5.7	9.0
743	593	P & O Dfd	595†	...	...	6.4	18.4
201	153	P & O 5.5%	200	+1	...	3.4	...
705	541	Powell Duffryn	541	-4	...	5.5	15.4
102	84	Seacon	97	...	...	3.0	22.0
218	158	Stagecoach	218	...	...	2.4	21.7
131	85½	TNT	109	...	...	...	...
915	703	Tibbet & Britten	710†	...	...	2.6	18.3
79	22	Tiphook	36	...	...	...	...
322	197	TDG	209†	...	...	5.7	14.0
136	98	Ugland	135	...	...	0.7	∞
160	95	Utd Carriers	103	...	...	1.9	...

WATER

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
607	442	Anglian	537	-11	...	5.3	14.0
365	293	Mid Kent Hldgs	325	...	...	4.4	11.0
751	505	Northumbrian	687	+2	...	4.4	7.4
611	454	North West	541	-6	...	5.3	8.1
645	457	Severn Trent	540	-11	...	5.2	7.7
682	460	Southern	586	+3	...	4.9	8.5
1740	1525	South Staffs	1728	...	...	3.8	11.5
675	484	South West	527	-2	...	6.9	7.8
611	434½	Thames	516	-2	...	5.5	8.9
744	546	Welsh	635	...	...	5.0	7.0
759½	551	Wessex	623	+2	...	4.7	8.3
630	458	Yorkshire	525	-2	...	5.4	7.7

Source: Finstat

● USM; # Price at suspension; † Ex dividend; ‡ Ex scrip; † Ex rights issue; ‡ Ex all; ‡ Ex capital distribution; ∞ Figures or report awaited; ... No significant data.

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SHORTS (under 5 years)

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
103[illegible]	100[illegible]	Treas 9% 1994	100[illegible]†	...	8.97	...
107[illegible]	104[illegible]	Treas 12% 1995	101[illegible]	...	11.82	5.60
98[illegible]	97½	Gas 3% 1990-95	98[illegible]†	...	3.04	5.71
107[illegible]	102[illegible]	Exch 10¼% 1995	102[illegible]	...	9.98	6.58
113½	105[illegible]	Treas 12¾% 1995	105[illegible]†	-[illegible]	12.04	6.94
117[illegible]	107[illegible]	Treas 14% 1996	108	...	12.96	7.17
121[illegible]	111[illegible]	Treas 15¼% 1996	111[illegible]†	-[illegible]	13.72	7.41
117[illegible]	108[illegible]	Exch 13¼% 1996	108[illegible]†	-[illegible]	12.22	7.47
112[illegible]	103[illegible]	Conv 10% 1996	104½†	...	9.60	7.84
121[illegible]	110[illegible]	Treas 13¼% 1997	110[illegible]	...	11.98	8.02
114[illegible]	104½	Exch 10½% 1997	105½	...	9.99	8.05
110[illegible]	100[illegible]	Treas 8¾% 1997	101[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.64	8.25
131[illegible]	116[illegible]	Exch 15% 1997	117½†	-[illegible]	12.78	8.37
114[illegible]	102[illegible]	Exch 9¾% 1998	103[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.42	8.49
106[illegible]	95½	Treas 7¼% 1998	96½	-½	7.51	8.47
102	93[illegible]	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	94[illegible]†	-[illegible]	7.11	8.48
131[illegible]	115[illegible]	Treas 14% 1998-01	116[illegible]†	-[illegible]	12.06	8.69
140[illegible]	122[illegible]	Treas 15½% 1998	122[illegible]	-[illegible]	12.62	8.56
125[illegible]	110[illegible]	Exch 12% 1998	111[illegible]†	-[illegible]	10.77	8.65
116[illegible]	101[illegible]	Treas 9½% 1999	103	-[illegible]	9.22	8.63

MEDIUMS (5 to 15 years)

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
101[illegible]	88[illegible]	Treas 6% 1999	90	-[illegible]	6.67	8.60
128[illegible]	111[illegible]	Exch 12¼% 1999	112[illegible]	-[illegible]	10.86	8.72
121[illegible]	105[illegible]	Treas 10½% 1999	106[illegible]†	-[illegible]	9.83	8.69
121[illegible]	106[illegible]	Conv 10¼% 1999	106[illegible]†	-[illegible]	9.65	8.75
116[illegible]	99½	Conv 9% 2000	101[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.88	8.68
136[illegible]	116[illegible]	Treas 13% 2000	118[illegible]	-[illegible]	10.99	8.86
106[illegible]	88[illegible]	Treas 7% 2001	90[illegible]†	-½	7.71	8.72
122[illegible]	103½	Treas 10% 2001	105½	-[illegible]	9.48	8.85
125[illegible]	102[illegible]	Treas 9¾% 2002	104[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.31	8.90
113[illegible]	92½	Treas 8% 2003	95[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.41	8.82
127[illegible]	104½	Treas 10% 2003	106½	-[illegible]	9.36	8.90
129[illegible]	109[illegible]	Treas 11½% 2001-04	111[illegible]	+[illegible]	10.28	9.04
89[illegible]	69½	Fund 3½% 1999-04	72½	+[illegible]	4.81	7.57
105½	84[illegible]	Treas 6¾% 2004	86[illegible]†	-[illegible]	7.76	8.73
125[illegible]	101[illegible]	Conv 9½% 2004	104[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.07	8.82
125½	102½	Conv 9½% 2005	104[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.06	8.80
143[illegible]	118½	Treas 12½% 2003-05	120[illegible]†	-[illegible]	10.35	9.11
111½	91[illegible]	Treas 8% 2002-06	94[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.44	8.77
112[illegible]	90½	Treas 7¾% 2006	93	-[illegible]	8.33	8.71
136[illegible]	112½	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	115	-[illegible]	10.22	9.11
119[illegible]	95[illegible]	Treas 8½% 2007	98½	-[illegible]	8.64	8.72
151[illegible]	124[illegible]	Treas 13½% 2004-08	127[illegible]	-[illegible]	10.59	9.11
124[illegible]	99[illegible]	Treas 9% 2008	102½	-[illegible]	8.78	8.70

LONGS (over 15 years)

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
115[illegible]	91[illegible]	Treas 8% 2009	94[illegible]	-½	8.47	8.69
126[illegible]	100[illegible]	Conv 9% 2011	103[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.73	8.66
127½	100½	Treas 9% 2012	103[illegible]	-½	8.71	8.64
93½	71½	Treas 5½% 2008-12	73[illegible]	-[illegible]	7.48	8.39
114½	89[illegible]	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	92[illegible]	-[illegible]	8.41	8.58
117[illegible]	92	Treas 8% 2013	94½	-[illegible]	8.45	8.59
159½	126[illegible]	Exch 12% 2013-17	129½	-[illegible]	9.22	8.80
128½	99[illegible]	Treas 8¾% 2017	101[illegible]	-½	8.58	8.56

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118½	107½	Treas IL 4⅛% 2004	108[illegible]	-[illegible]	3.49	3.82
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175½	154½	Treas IL 2½% 2011	157½	-½	3.64	3.84
146½	126½	Treas IL 2½% 2013	129½	-[illegible]	3.66	3.85
157[illegible]	134½	Treas IL 2½% 2016	137[illegible]	-½	3.70	3.87
152[illegible]	129½	Treas IL 2½% 2020	132½	-½	3.73	3.88
129½	106½	Treas IL 2½% 2024	109[illegible]	-½	3.72	3.85
139[illegible]	105½	Treas IL 4⅛% 2030	108[illegible]	-½	3.75	3.89

Where smaller firms make their mistakes

BY DEREK HARRIS

SHORTAGE of management skills is a big problem for small businesses wishing to grow, whether or not they fully recognise it, according to the findings of research carried out for Barclays Bank. The study examined the skills gap both on the management side and in the labour market in the way it affects small businesses.

The findings come as the London Enterprise Agency (LEntA) considers a new initiative on the development of management skills in small firms, with young staff of large enterprises being assigned to smaller businesses and greater involvement of senior staff and those nearing, or at, retirement age. Another idea would create regional registers of retired experts.

The Barclays research shows that while 57 per cent of small businesses between three and ten years old plan to grow steadily or rapidly over the next two years, "many may fail to fulfil their *potential because of a lack of* skills". It showed that only 19 per cent of business owners have specific sales or marketing skills *and only 14 per cent any financial* skills. As a result, many do not have the breadth of experience needed to manage growth.

Fifty-four per cent of small business owners cited a lack of time as the biggest management constraint on the future growth of their business. Although 69 per cent of the entrepreneurs believed training was important to their business's future, only 23 per cent undertook any training in the first three years of trading. Those that did, tended to focus on specific trading activities (41 per cent) rather than on general management (26 per cent).

Barclays advocates a closer partnership between businesses, banks and advisers like Business Links, training and enterprise councils and enterprise agencies.

LEntA is planning a seminar on December 7 to encourage big firms to give more support to smaller businessmen. Details of the seminar *The Large Firms-Small Firms Skill Switch* are available from Ken Sheppard, LEntA, 4 Snow Hill, London EC1A 2BS (071-236 3000).



"Yes, yes, I know what 'funding' means — it's 'increase' that's lost me"

Fourth time lucky

BY JESSICA GORST-WILLIAMS

JOHN Osborne, 52, is no stranger to commercial problems. But he believes his latest venture, set up three years ago, has a good future. He and his wife Sheila, who is also his business partner, are selling compact discs, laser discs and video cassettes by mail order. They have just relocated the business, called The Club 50-50 Experience, to Cornwall.

Mr Osborne's father was a millionaire, who made his fortune making heavy industrial blades out of Sheffield steel, and the son started in business making boxes for the cutlery industry. He sold that business to a relative and set up another installing plastic insulation in greenhouses. This went into voluntary liquidation in 1987.

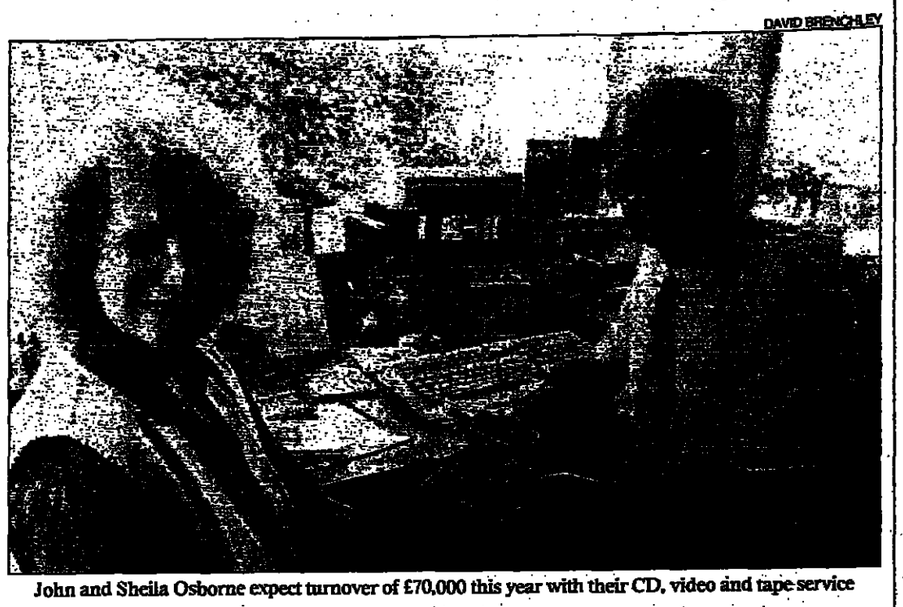
Three years later, Mr Osborne made a disastrous new beginning. "I paid £10,000 for a franchise to distribute some CDs in a given area. But it turned out to be a scam. Along with 11 other franchisees, I *lost all my investment.*"

There was one gain. The episode had enabled him to spot a gap in the market created by the demise of small music shops. "I realised the potential of providing pre-recorded music and videos to the more discerning individual," he says. He set up The Club 50-50 Experience with an emphasis on mainstream opera, talking books and easy listening music.

A computer buff was employed to set up a database. "But the system collapsed and the £4,000 I paid him was wasted," Mr Osborne says. Second time around, with a different programmer, he had better luck and now has a database of almost 21,000 videos and laser discs, along with more than 44,000 current CDs and tapes.

Setting up the business has cost Mr Osborne £100,000, mostly for computer programming and advertising. Loans from friends were a significant part of the funding.

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John and Sheila Osborne expect turnover of £70,000 this year with their CD, video and tape service

"At the beginning, we were paying cash with orders to suppliers," said Mr Osborne. "Then we got on to a 14-day payment basis until we could prove ourselves." In the first 18 months, to June, 1992, turnover was £4,390: the following 12 months saw that rise to £23,600 and in the latest year, it was £39,400. The projection for the next is £70,000.

The core of The Club 50-50 Experience's customers are middle aged, with a strong contingent of disabled and elderly people. The Osbornes also supply schools and county libraries.

Until recently, Mr Osborne has kept bowls of water outside the front and back doors to ward off bad luck. He says: "The great thing about Cornwall is that there is only one door to the house, and that overlooks the sea, so I don't have to bother any more with water bowls."

BRIEF

Abolition of value added tax on inter-company trading between VAT-registered traders is called for by the Federation of Small Businesses in its Budget submissions. It would be one way of helping small businesses which are starved of cash, said John Harris, the FSB national chairman. VAT collected at the various *interim stages is* ultimately claimed back at no gain to the Exchequer, but last year it accounted for £25 billion being locked up in the VAT system. The capital block affecting small businesses could, said Mr Harris, be further eased "by allowing businesses to retain their profits and to be taxed only when the money is drawn for non-business purposes".

☐ Milton Keynes Chamber of Commerce, due to merge with the Milton Keynes and North Buckinghamshire Training and Enterprise Council later this year, is planning two open days, on November 4 and 16, to explain the range of services which will be on offer. About 900 companies are chamber members but the merged body will account for more than 1,200. Details from Lisa Muse, 01908 662123.

☐ The Capital Exchange, which is based in Hereford and has 800 business angel investors on its books, reports *eight agreements*, some under the new Enterprise Investment Scheme, during August worth a total of £750,000. Another *20 completions have been notified* so far this year.

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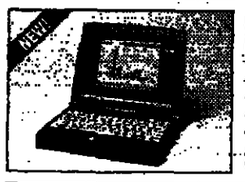
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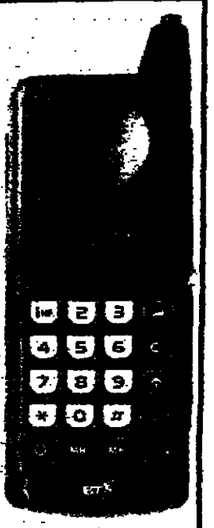
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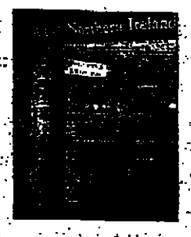
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VISUAL ART: A controversial question of attribution is aired in London; plus the latest regional shows

Mastery dispels mystery

Richard Cork has no doubts about the National Gallery's disputed Michelangelos

In December 1914, the young David Bomberg took his future wife Alice to the National Gallery. He told her only that they were going "to see a *real* picture". On arriving, he hurried her through the rooms without allowing a glance at the images they contained. Bomberg wanted Alice to keep her eyes for one painting: Michelangelo's *The Entombment*.

With infectious excitement, he enthused over its bold composition. She later remembered how he concluded that even the most innovative of modern pictures "had their beginning with the Old Masters, and Michael Angelo [*sic*] was the chief of these."

Although artists as avant-garde as Bomberg found the sinewy dynamism and audacious simplification of *The Entombment* so stimulating, Renaissance connoisseurs were sharply divided over its attribution. Berenson had no doubts, declaring that "it fills me with no little amazement that this masterpiece, this quintessence of Michelangelo's art, should encounter so little acceptance". But other experts retained their scepticism, and were still more unwilling to attach Michelangelo's name to another disputed National Gallery painting, *The Manchester Madonna*.

Part of the trouble lay in the pictures' condition. Patently unfinished and damaged, both panels have lost their bloom. Compared with Michelangelo's celebrated *Doni Tondo* in the Uffizi, these two works look battered and unresolved. But the National Gallery has now decided that they are indeed wholly from the master's own hand. With the help of a scholarly catalogue by Michael Hirst and Jill Dunkerton, an absorbing new show attempts to place the pictures securely within Michelangelo's *oeuvre*.

Nobody can prove his authorship with cast-iron documentary evidence. The history of both panels is too obscure, and *The Entombment* was discovered by a Scottish photographer in Rome after it had been discarded, dirty and unloved, by Cardinal Fesch. But now that they have been restored, and set in the context of Michelangelo's early years, their claim looks convincing.

The experts who rejected them may have been misled by comparing the pictures, too hastily, with the Sistine ceiling. The towering assurance of that supreme fresco cycle shows an artist working at the height of his energy and inventiveness. *The Manchester Madonna*, by contrast, is now dated to 1497, when he was only 22. Seen in this light, it suddenly makes sense.

For even Michelangelo did not spring, fully formed, into swaggering maturity. He began his career in the workshop of Domenico Ghirlandaio and his brother David. Productive and sought after, they would have provided their young apprentice with an excellent training. Paintings by both his teachers are included in the first room, revealing the extent of Michelangelo's debt. They help explain why Charles Eastlake, the National Gallery's Keeper in the 1840s, decided that *The Manchester Madonna* was the work of Domenico Ghirlandaio.

> "The experts may be misled by comparisons with his Sistine work"

The differences between master and pupil are, however, far more telling. Domenico's *Virgin and Child* (c.1480), is a placid, uncomplicated and, in places, microscopically detailed work. Mother and infant exchange glances filled with straightforward affection, while the distant landscape is defined in minute detail. The Virgin pulls a protective veil round her son with complete maternal confidence.

No such comforting certainties can be found in *The Manchester Madonna*. The landscape has dropped away completely. Only a band of sky serves as a plain backdrop for the seven figures dominating the composition. Two of them are simply blocked in, nothing more than wraith-like hints of the angels they would have become. And the Madonna herself wears robes where the preliminary hatching is still visible, handled with a vigour strikingly close to the criss-cross strokes of ink in Michelangelo's undisputed pen drawings.

Despite her incomplete state, she is realised with a sculptor's feeling for palpable volume. It would be easy to imagine her as a freestanding statue. The Madonna's right breast is exposed, as if in readiness for feeding. But her child is in no mood for milk. With one foot intimately resting inside the fold of her robe, he leans forward and tries to clasp the book in her hand.

The thin drapery around his thigh is relatively finished, and handled with great delicacy. It seems to be rippling in response to the impulsive motion of the limb beneath. The boy's eagerness for knowledge is vividly conveyed, and a slight smile plays on his mother's face.

All the same, the pleasure she takes in his liveliness is tempered by sadness. Burdened by the prophetic awareness that his curiosity will end in tragedy, she lowers her eyelids with an air of weary resignation. Grief is intermingled with joy in this bitter-sweet painting, more complex by far than the Ghirlandaio panel.

The incipient melancholy is carried over to the angels who pore over a scroll where Christ's agony is foretold. Their androgynous faces are painted with great sensuousness. But their expressions are overcast with foreboding, and one angel leans on the other as though in search of comfort.

Only an artist of exceptional ability could have executed this understated and yet immensely moving picture. Its emotional ambiguity is conveyed as persuasively as its instinctive grasp of monumental, simplified form. In the past, *The Manchester Madonna* has been linked with a group of superficially similar paintings, and the best of them has been borrowed from Vienna to hang beside the National Gallery panel. But the latter is clearly by a different, vastly more accomplished hand. The Vienna picture could only have been produced by a plodding, even clumsy associate of Michelangelo.

Recently uncovered evidence proves that Michelangelo purchased a panel for a painting in June 1497. It could well have been *The Manchester Madonna*, and three years later he was paid 60 ducats for an altarpiece, destined for the church of Sant 'Agostino, Rome. He later repaid the money, after moving back to Florence. But the National Gallery's *Entombment* is the right size and subject for the abortive Roman commission. Its incomplete state is also compatible with the abandoned altarpiece, and the image's power must be the work of an artist determined to reinterpret his subject in an arresting way.

This *Entombment* seizes on the physical effort involved in moving a heavy corpse. Christ's feet have only just left the ground, at the start of his awkward journey up the hewn steps to the tomb outlined in the rock-face beyond. The formidable figure of St John, resplendent in a brilliant red robe which discloses the play of ample muscles beneath, stiffens as he takes the lifeless body's weight. This heroic figure is precisely the kind of ambitious image which Michelangelo would have wanted to produce in his mid-twenties.

So is the rest of this compelling panel, even though its damaged and incomplete state will always impede a wholly definitive assessment. Arriving at a subtle fusion of titanic exertion and contemplative pathos, *The Entombment* convinces me that it is the work of a man who would, seven years later, be ready to embark on the overwhelming achievement of the Sistine ceiling. No wonder that Bomberg found himself mesmerised by *The Entombment's* vitality when he contributed to another dynamic renewal of European painting four centuries later.

● *The Young Michelangelo is at the National Gallery (071-839 3321) until January 15*



The Entombment: convincingly the work of a man who would, seven years later, be ready to embark on the Sistine Chapel ceiling

AROUND THE GALLERIES

INEVITABLY, given the size and complexity of her wood sculptures, Ana Maria Pacheco works slowly. As a sculptor, that is: as a painter and printmaker she is extraordinarily prolific. Her last major sculpture, *Man and His Sheep*, appeared five years ago, and toured extensively: it consists of a sort of John the Baptist figure leading human sheep through some kind of wilderness: the "sheep" do not look altogether at ease and the overall effect is decidedly sinister. This piece reappears in Pacheco's new show at the Gas Hall annexe to Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery, but now accompanied by the large new piece she has been working on in the interim, *The Longest Journey*. This must have some tangential reference to the innumerable boat people who have launched out into stormy waters during the last few years, but as usual Pacheco escapes any direct political reference. Along with these two major sculptural groups she is showing recent drawings and prints, and a series of ten large paintings called *In Illo Tempore*, which develop the same imagery, somewhere between the circus and the torture chamber, in intense, infernal colours often emerging from a surrounding darkness.
The Gas Hall, City Museum and Art Gallery, Chamberlain Square, Birmingham (021-235 1966) until Dec 31

IN FRANCE the 50th anniversary of Robert Wlerick's death is being marked by a major touring exhibition and many lesser signs of respect. Wlerick (1882-1944) was, in effect, where the great classic tradition of French sculpture ended up after Rodin. Maillol and Bourdelle. Like those masters he seems to have been by nature a modeller rather than a carver, and certainly had an extraordinary skill in rendering the human body, particularly female. In this, he is perhaps most closely comparable to Maillol: though he was momentarily touched by the Deco tendencies of Bourdelle, essentially he remained true throughout his life to Rodin's vision of strength-in-fluidity: the surface of his bronzes is always alive with implied movement, going beyond naturalism to an equivalent of Impressionism, in which illusion created by the play of light is all important. The show at the Bruton Gallery, which specialises in French sculpture of this period, also includes his powerful sanguine drawings, more solid than Rodin's elusive vision on paper and exerting an overwhelming physical presence.
Bruton Gallery, 35 Gay Street, Bath (0225 466292) until Nov 12

JOHN RUSSELL TAYLOR

OPERA: Unknown Rubinstein, youthful Wagner and the "other" *Bohème* staged at the Wexford Festival in Ireland; Poulenc revived at Snape Maltings

Devil has best tunes

This year's Wexford Festival is the 13th and last under the leadership of Elaine Padmore (she will be succeeded by Luigi Ferrari, also artistic director of the Rossini Festival in Pesaro). It is neatly representative of the many skills she has brought to her task — in addition, of course, to digging out half-forgotten operas that every opera buff has heard of but probably never seen.

Padmore has brought Wexford's once-homely production style into line with the rest of the world. Shows in the Theatre Royal would now not look out of place in, say, Bregenz or Aix. The benefits here are arguable: if you are performing an unknown opera, there is a case to be made for staging it in a fairly traditional, accessible fashion rather than subjecting it to the latest in directorial chic. On the other hand, Padmore has given us early sightings of such household names as Declan Donnellan, Nicholas Hytner, Richard Jones, Steven Pimlott and Francesca Zambello.

And Padmore has proved herself a canny casting director. In her first festival (1982) she gave an unknown baritone called Sergei Leiferkus his first opportunity in the West. Since then the floodgates have opened and there was a fine roster of Russians for the most successful of this year's operas, Rubinstein's The Demon (1874).

Rubinstein was regarded with suspicion by the hardline nationalist Russian composers of the day simply because he had studied composition in Germany. He was instrumental in founding the St Petersburg Conservatoire in 1862, and one of the first pupils was Tchaikovsky. Their musical languages are not dissimilar, in that their Russianness emerges through a thoroughly professional filter. *The Demon*, full of folk music, is also a very well-made opera.

Drawn from Lermontov's Byronic poem, it is half *Flying Dutchman*, half *Beauty and the Beast*. The eponymous outsider, one of Chaliapin's great roles, starts by mocking heaven and all its works and ends up humanised by his love for the heroine Tamara: a perfectly possible Happy End is thwarted by the intervention of a bossy and officious Angel.

More of the work's elemental power might have come across in a production less ice-cold than Yefim Maizel's, in a set by Paul Steinberg that was all white walls and skew-whiff doors. And presenting the protagonist in a white suit and panama hat robbed him of much of his mystery.

But the opera was wonderfully sung, especially by Anatoly Lochak in the title role. He uses his beautifully warm high baritone with the expressiveness of a Leiferkus. Marina Mescheriakova (Tamara) commands both decibels and a melting pianissimo. The open-throated young tenor Valery Serkin, as Tamara's ill-fated fiancé (disposed of before the first of three acts is out, the flaw in the libretto), promised much for the future, and Alison Browner was superb as the mezzo Angel. Alexander Anissimov, in charge of the National Symphony Orchestra (first-rate in all three operas) made the strongest possible case for a fascinating work.

In the "other" **Bohème** *Leoncavallo demonstrates* with blinding clarity the difference between talent and genius. The composer's own libretto is singularly ill-judged, all Bohemian roistering in the first two acts, all death and disaster in the last two. And while Leoncavallo's efficient score is standard verismo, Puccini's is throughout touched with genius, though it must be said that Albert Rosen, 70 this year and a greatly undervalued conductor, did everything possible to redress the balance.



Superb Russians in a Russian rarity: Anatoly Lochak as The Demon; Marina Mescheriakova as Tamara

The hyperactive boisterousness of Reto Nickler's production grew wearisome, but the tragic denouement was compellingly staged in Russell Craig's ingenious set. Magali Damonte, last season's French Carmen at Covent Garden, was a glamorous Musette in every way, Jungwon Park an affecting Mimi (she's a sparkier girl than in Puccini), and there was an outstanding Rodolfo from Patryk Wroblewski, a gifted American.

No opportunity to see Wagner's apprentice work **Das Liebesverbot** (1835) is to be sniffed at. There are acres of bad music in the composer's own adaptation of *Measure for Measure* — mock-Rossini, mock-Bellini, mock more or less anything — and Wexford's ruthless cutting could only be welcomed. There are also glimpses of real Wagner — a sinuous endless melody associated with the Regent's lust for Isabella, a striking tune for Isabella under threat — but at this stage he didn't know how to develop a good idea once he had got one.

It was a witty idea of Padmore's to engage a conductor of French origins, Yves Abel, and he did what he could, imposing a sense of discipline on proceedings sadly lacking in Dieter Kaegi's amateurish production. The famous Wexford throat had felled the two female leads and one of the tenors and (to be charitable) it sounded as though one or two others were under par. But Robert Holzer made a notably musical baritone Regent.

RODNEY MILNES

Beauty beyond belief

QUESTIONS of theatrical workability aside, Poulenc's *Les Dialogues des Carmélites* is a finely shaped score, with characters beautifully and subtly drawn within their self-imposed confines.

Time and again in this ambitious opening event of Aldeburgh's October Britten Festival on the theme of "Britten and the French Connection", especially in the first act, one was reminded of a signal debt to Debussy's *Pelléas et Melisande* in the flexibility of declamation and the subtly expressive, aromatic orchestral music. But Poulenc does not shy away from big moments and set pieces. The new Prioress's beautiful Act II monologue is one such.

The young singers involved in this production, repeated by a different cast at the Bloomsbury Theatre on Sunday night, had been working intensely on the opera for three weeks, breathing, eating and sleeping it. The acting was on the whole excellent — Janine Reiss was the director — partly because unencumbered by fussy scenery. Bridget Cairns's designs were necessarily frugal, though cleverly functional.

Diane Forlano, the project's vocal consultant, has done her job well too. Francine van der Heyden was particularly radiant as Soeur Constance, and Amy Goldstein solid in voice as the firmly resolved Mme Lidoine, the new Prioress. Tamsin Dalley sounded suitably aged as Mme de Croissy, the first Prioress, dying a harrowingly agonised death.

Eva-Maria Westbroek projected strongly as Mere Marie, while Nicole Kuster, as Blanche, showed a varied sound-palette, not always completely secure or controlled, but aptly expressive of the character's uncertainties and fears.

Michael Hart-Davis as the Chaplain took the chief male role. He sang excellently, as did Nicholas Sears, an impassioned Chevalier de la Force. Blanche's brother. Jonathan Darlington, who holds what must be the hot position of deputy music director at the Paris Opéra, conducted with some fervour; the fine Britten-Pears Orchestra responded commensurately.

STEPHEN PETTITT



TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Kris Anderson

LONDON

TODAY AT THE BARBICAN. If you do not already have a ticket for the **LSO** concert, note that there are returns only and not many are expected back. Not to be missed, however, is the launch of a festival billed by artistic director Adrian Noble as "the first event of its kind in this country and probably the world": **Everybody's Shakespeare** truly does bring together an extraordinary array of talent for an international, multi-disciplined celebration of the work and influence of the Bard. See feature, page 35. Activities for all ages, some free, some not. Meanwhile, it is also the last week of RSC performances for *The Tempest, Moby Dick, The Country Wife* and *The Hostage*.
Box Office (071-638 8891) Festival on through Nov 20 ♿

THE PRIME OF MISS JEAN BRODIE: Opening night for Patricia Hodge as the inspirational but dangerous schoolteacher in a revival of an old favourite. Alan Strachan directs. **Strand**, Strand, WC2 (071-930 8800). Tonight, 7pm. Then Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Thurs and Sat, 2.30pm.

THE RIVALS: Patricia Routledge continues her role as that nice deranger of epitaphs, Mrs Malaprop, in Sheridan's **The Rivals**, after a successful first run in Chichester. Richard Cottrell directs, with Richard Johnson, James Simmons, Emily Raymond and Adam Godley. **Richmond**, The Green, Richmond (081-940 0088). Tonight-Sat, 7.45pm; mats Wed and Sat, 2.30pm ♿

ELSEWHERE

BRIGHTON. Dance Umbrella's festival of contemporary dance continues this week with a most welcome return visit by Stephen Petronio's company from New York. His wild, inventive and highly provocative dances are set to music by David Lindon, Yoko Ono and Stravinsky. **Gardner Arts Centre**, University of Sussex (0273 685861). Tonight, 7.30pm. Then in on **Nottingham** (Playhouse ♿ 0602 419419) on Thurs.

NORWICH: A rescue for parents this week, just in time for those half-term panics. **A Children's Festival** opens this afternoon with *Pinocchio* from Teatro del Drago, an Italian company known for its amazing puppetry. Tomorrow, **Hallowe'en Tales** with Hugh Lupton, one set for five to seven-year-olds, another more scary one for those over eight. More puppetry is on offer on Thursday in a tale of Ulysses from Spain's Bambalina Titelles. **Norwich Arts Centre**, Reeves Yard, St Benedict's Street (0603 660352) ♿

MANCHESTER. There is much to choose from on the theatre front here this week, starting with **The Picture of Dorian Gray** (Contact). Maria Aitken, Benedict Bates, Bette Bourne and Tim Pigott-Smith make much of a complex staging of Wilde's famous tale, now on tour. Paines Plough gives another performance of Lavinia Murray's **Wax** tonight (Chapman), about the seriously weird life of Madame Tussaud; or there is a spectacular **Lord of the Rings** from Theatre Sans Fil, a fine Canadian puppet company (Tameside). Come Sunday, one of Israel's most venerated actresses, Lea Koenig, opens a two-week **Israeli Season** with *Stars Without Sky* (Exchange).
Central Box Office, (061-242 2555). **Contact**, Oxford Road ♿. **Chapman**, University Road, Salford ♿ (061-745 5000). **Tameside Hippodrome**, Oldham Road, Ashton-under-Lyne ♿. **Royal Exchange**, St Ann's Square ♿ (061-833 9833)

LONDON GALLERIES

Barbican. A Bitter Truth: Avant-Garde Art and the Great War (071-638 4141) **British Museum:** Prints of the Barbizon School (071-636 1555) **Hayward:** The Romantic Spirit in German Art 1790-1990 (071-928 3144) **National Portrait Gallery:** The Sitwells (071-306 0055) ... **National Gallery:** The Young Michelangelo (071-839 3321) **Royal Academy:** The Glory of Venice (071-439 7438) ... **Serpentine:** Rebecca Horn (071-402 6075) ... **Tate:** Whistler; Rebecca Horn: Sculptors' Drawings, final week (071-887 8000) ... **V & A:** Kalighat: Indian Popular Painting 1800-1930: Nehru Gallery (071-938 8500)

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

■ **House full, returns only**
◩ **Some seats available**
□ **Seats at all prices**

□ **BEAUTIFUL THING:** Jonathan Harvey's award-winning and touching play about teenage love, gay and straight, on a London council estate. **Duke of York's**, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 5122). Mon-Thurs, 8pm, Fri and Sat, 6pm and 8.30pm ♿

□ **BROKEN GLASS:** Strong performances from Margot Leicester and Henry Goodman in Arthur Miller's latest. An American Jewish couple in the 1930s, wanting to ignore the Nazi menace. **National** (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight-Thurs, 7.30pm; mat Wed, 2.15pm ♿

◩ **DESIGN FOR LIVING:** Clive Owen, Paul Rhys and Rachel Weisz in Coward's defence of the *ménage à trois*. A lot of fun though Sean Mathias trumpets the bisexuality where Coward only hinted. **Donmar Warehouse**, Earlham Street, WC2 (071-369 1732). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs and Sat, 3pm ♿

□ **KING LEAR:** Award-winning Lancashire company Kaboodle play central London for the first time with its dynamic, highly visual production. **Bloomsbury**, Gordon Street, WC1 (071-388 8822). Tonight-Sat, 7pm. Final week ♿

□ **MOSCOW STATIONS:** Tom Courtenay's one-man performance as an alcoholic lost on the Moscow Underground. You probably won't see finer, more touching acting this year. **Garrick**, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-494 5085). Mon-Sat, 8pm

□ **NEVILLE'S ISLAND:** Tony Slattery heads a strong cast playing a quartet of businessmen disastrously lost in the fog during a team-building exercise in Lakeland. Jeremy Sams directs Tim Firth's shrewd play.

Apollo, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5070). Mon-Fri, 8pm; Wed, 2.30pm; Sat, 5pm and 8.30pm.

□ **900 ONEONTA:** David Beaird's Gothic shock-horror satire of a rotten Southern family steeped in sex and incompetence. Totally over the top but weirdly exhilarating. **Ambassadors**, West St, WC2 (071-836 6111). Mon-Fri, 7.30pm; Sat, 6pm, mats Thurs 3pm and Sat 4pm

□ **ON APPROVAL:** Peter Hall gives us the Lonsdale play as it was and is, a sophisticated, diverting but relatively sexless piece. Martin Jarvis is in brilliant form, with Anna Carteret, Louise Lombard and Simon Ward. **Playhouse**, Northumberland Ave, WC2 (071-839 4401). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 5pm ♿

□ **ONCE ON THIS ISLAND:** Splendidly executed production of the hit Broadway musical: showbiz and Caribbean folk-tale proves to be a successful marriage. **Island** (formerly the Royalty), Portugal St, WC2 (071-494 5090). Mon-Fri 8pm, Sat, 6pm, 8.45pm, mat Wed, 3pm ♿

□ **THE QUEEN AND I:** Sue Townsend's satiric romp follows the deposed royals as they struggle to survive on a council estate. Not as subversive as one might expect. Max Stafford Clark directs. **Vaudeville**, The Strand, WC2 (071-836 9987). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm; mats Wed and Sat, 3pm

□ **WHAT A PERFORMANCE:** David Suchet shows off well as he mugs and flounces as Sid Field in William Humble's stage biography. **Queen's**, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5041). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm; mats Wed and Sat, 3pm

LONG RUNNERS

◩ **Arcadia:** Haymarket (071-930 8800) □ **Blood Brothers:** Phoenix (071-867 1044) ... □ **Buddy:** Victoria Palace (071-834 1317) ... ■ **Cats:** New London (071-405 0072) □ **Copacabana:** Prince of Wales (071-839 5972) □ **Crazy for You:** Prince Edward (071-734 8951) ... □ **Don't Dress for Dinner:** Duchess (071-494 5070) ... □ **Five Guys Named Moe:** Lyric (071-494 5045) ... ■ **Grease:** Dominion (071-416 6060) ... ◩ **An Inspector Calls:** Aldwych (071-836 6404) □ **Lady Windermere's Fan:** Albery (071-867 1115) ... ◩ **Les Misérables:** Palace (071-434 0909) ◩ **Miss Saigon:** Theatre Royal (071-494 5400) ... □ **The Mousetrap:** St Martin's (071-836 1443) ... ■ **The Phantom of the Opera:** Her Majesty's (071-494 5400) ... □ **She Loves Me:** Savoy (071-836 8888) ◩ **Starlight Express:** Apollo Victoria (071-828 8665) □ **Sunset Boulevard:** Adelphi (071-344 0055) ... □ **The Winslow Boy:** Globe (071-494 5065) □ **The Woman in Black:** Fortune (071-836 2238)

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CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

NEW RELEASES

◆ **THE CLIENT** (15): Mediocre version of John Grisham's thriller about a boy in jeopardy, with Susan Sarandon, Tommy Lee Jones and Brad Renfro. Director, Joel Schumacher. **MGMs: Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** ♿ (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** ♿ (071-792 3332) **Warner** ♿ (071-437 4343)

8 SECONDS (PG): Unwanted biopic of a rodeo rider. The year's dullest film with Luke Perry and Stephen Baldwin. **MGMs: Fulham Road** ♿ (071-370 2636) **Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **Trocadero** ♿ (071-434 0031)

L'ENFER (15): Jealousy rages in a provincial hotel. Uneven thriller from Claude Chabrol, with Emmanuelle Béart and François Cluzet. **Chelsea** (071-351 3742) **Curzon Phoenix** (071-240 9661)

LANCELOT DU LAC (PG): Robert Bresson strips the Arthurian legend bare in a minimalist masterpiece from 1974. With Luc Simon and Laura Duke Condominas. **Everyman** ♿ (071-435 1525)

ORPHEE: Jean Cocteau's mesmerising retelling of the Orpheus legend, revived in a new print. With Jean Marais, Maria Casar. **NFT** (071-928 3232)

◆ **PULP FICTION** (18): Quentin Tarantino's flamboyant crime epic weaves together three tales from the LA underworld. With John Travolta, Bruce Willis and Samuel L. Jackson. **Gate** ♿ (071-727 4043) **MGMs: Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **Shaftesbury Avenue** (071-836 6279) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **Phoenix** (081-883 2233) **Renoir** (071-837 8402) **Screen/Baker Street** (071-935 2772) **Screen/Green** (071-226 3520) **UCI Whiteleys** ♿ (071-792 3332) **Warner** ♿ (071-437 4343)

CURRENT

◆ **THE ADVENTURES OF PRISCILLA, QUEEN OF THE DESERT** (15): Two drag queens and a transsexual get stuck in the Australian outback. Joyful and vulgar romp with Terence Stamp and Hugo Weaving. **MGMs: Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Trocadero** ♿ (071-434 0031) **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666) **Plaza** (0800 888997) **UCI Whiteleys** ♿ (071-792 3332) **Warner** ♿ (071-437 4343)

◆ **FORREST GUMP** (12): Endearing if indulgent odyssey through post-war America, ideal for baby boomers. With Tom Hanks. Director, Robert Zemeckis. **Barbican** ♿ (071-638 8891) **Empire** ♿ (0800 888911) **MGMs: Baker St** (071-935 9772) **Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** ♿ (071-434 0031) **Phoenix** (081-883 2233) **Notting Hill Coronet** ♿ (071-727 6705) **UCI Whiteleys** ♿ (071-792 3332)

THE HUDSUCKER PROXY (PG): Hick becomes company boss. Ritzy comic pastiche from the Coen brothers, with Tim Robbins, Jennifer Jason Leigh and Paul Newman. **MGM Panton Street** (071-930 0631)

THE LAST SEDUCTION (18): Enjoyably amoral tale of sex, power and $700,000, with Linda Fiorentino as the femme fatale to end them all. **Metro** (071-437 0757) **MGMs: Fulham Road** ♿ (071-370 2636) **Piccadilly** (071-437 3561)

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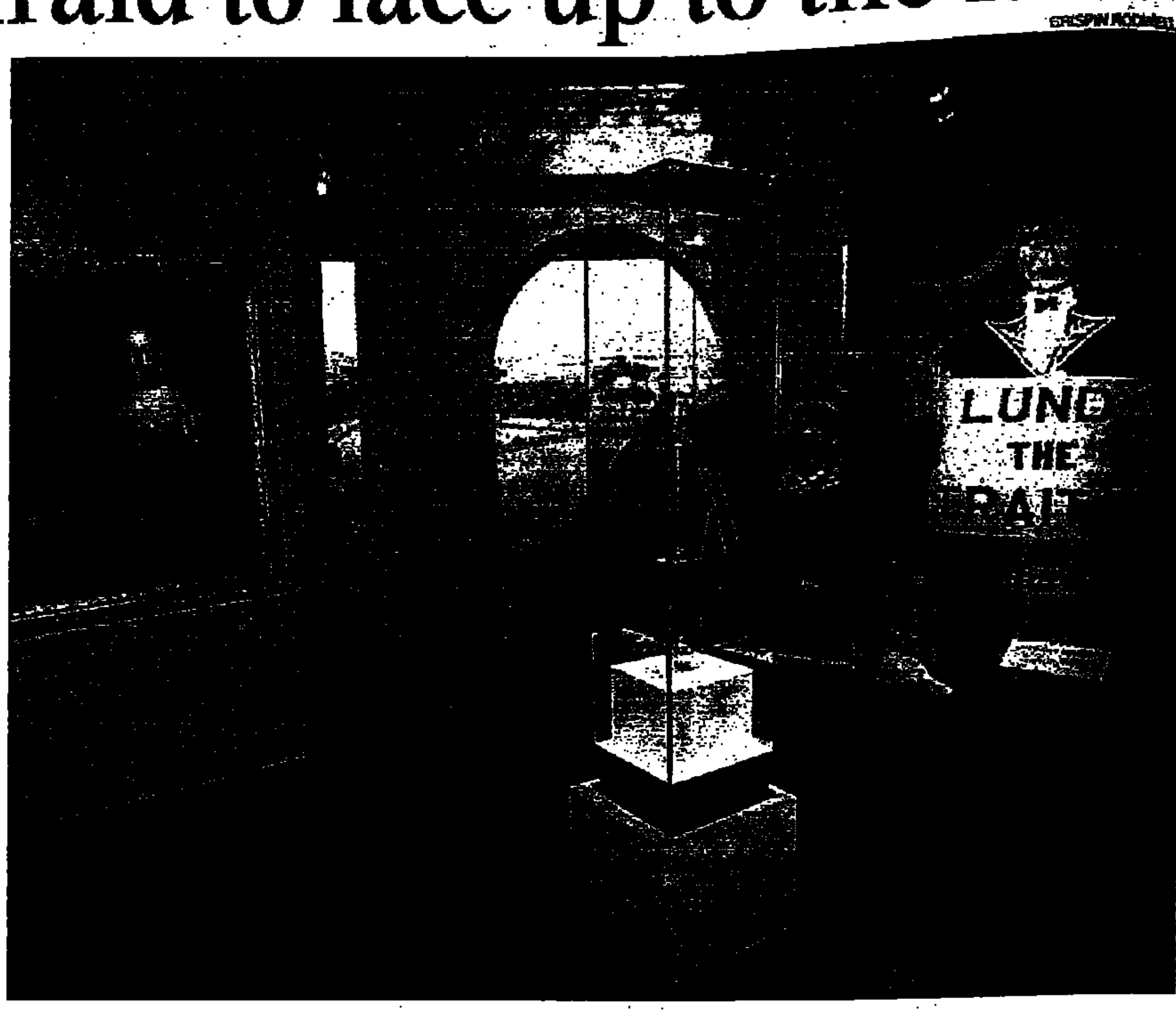
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Not afraid to face up to the facts

Simon Tait on why Northern Ireland's Tower Museum has been named the best of the year



CRISPIN RODWELL

Inside Londonderry's award-winning Tower Museum: artefacts from Northern Ireland's troubled past are displayed

If the Northern Ireland Tourist Board had had its way, Gillian Shephard, the Education Secretary, would probably not have been presenting the National Heritage IBM Museum of the Year Award to Londonderry's Tower Museum yesterday. "The tourism people didn't want us to mention the troubles at all," says Brian Lacey, director of Londonderry's heritage and museum service. "We made it plain we had no intention of not addressing them. After all, they started here and you could say they ended here, too."

The Tower represents a new generation of museums. A statement at the start of the display says: "We have tried very hard to steer a balanced course between alternative interpretations and views and to respect different opinions and politics".

The way in which that delicate operation was negotiated won the judges' plaudits. Their chairman, Lord Morris of Castle Morris, said: "This interpretation of Derry's troubles must have been extraordinarily challenging, but it has come off brilliantly."

Lacey says he had thought of using traditional methods: "You know, letters from Bobby Sands [the Sinn Fein MP who died on hunger strike] and ornaments made out of rubber bullets. Instead we decided to leave all that out, and present it through the personal memories of a local broadcaster, Ken McCormack, in an 11-minute film."

But the challenge starts right at the beginning of the story, not a mere 25 years ago. Lacey says that about the only thing that isn't controversial about Londonderry's history is its geology. "It becomes problematic as soon as you realise that the two absolute facts on which the city is built actually didn't happen."

The place was not founded, as legend insists, by St Columba in 546, and the famous Siege of Derry of 1689 was, in truth, a blockade. Through a mixture of objects, theatrical sets and 11 different audio-visual features the museum steps through all this.

Largely paid for by European Community funding, it opened two years ago and has attracted 100,000 visitors so far. It was the 1993 Irish Museum of the Year, and was highly commended in this year's European Museum of the Year competition. Londonderry's museum occupies a pastiche fort, built to recall the fortifications James I threw around the city when he created the "Plantations" of Protestants transplanted from London to counterbalance the Catholic inhabitants.

Until fairly recently Protestant residents would not give or lend objects to the museum collections because they distrusted the motives of the city council, the museum's sponsor. Many objects, ironically, have been lent by such places as the Royal Armouries and the Museum of London, where yesterday's presentation took place.

Some are still not entirely convinced, but Lacey took a gamble with one of the great symbols of the Derry Loyalists: Lundy. Colonel Robert Lundy was the city's commandant who tried to come to terms with the besieging Catholic forces in 1689 and was branded a traitor for it. On every December 18 since, Protestants have stuffed a 12-foot effigy of him with fireworks and set it on fire on the ancient walls overlooking the Bogside. On these occasions, Catholics are excluded from the old city. "We have had a ludicrous situation where thousands of British soldiers have had to protect this effigy," Lacey says, but the template effigy on which each year's figure is based is on open display in the museum and has suffered no vandalism. "We're trying to extract Lundy from politics and put him in the museum where he belongs."

The politics of 19th-century Londonderry are illustrated with Loyalist newspaper cuttings on the left side of a street, with kerbs painted red, white and blue, and a Republican side on the right, with kerbs of orange, green and white. "We had to be careful not to have a single millimetre more material on one side than on the other."

Even now, the official road signs still lead you to "Londonderry", the name imposed by James I in his Protestantisation, while nobody who lives there refers to anything but Derry. In 1984 the city wanted to change its name officially, but the council was told that to do so it would have to swear fealty to the Queen, not a likely event for this Republican-inclined body. The compromise was that the city could call itself Derry while the government would continue to call it Londonderry.

But with the ceasefire, is the museum already out of date? "Not yet," Lacey says. "A ceasefire is not peace, but we long for the day when we have to change something."

MUSEUM OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Museum of the Year: Tower Museum, Londonderry
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CONCERT: Schumann with text

Byronic grandeur

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BYRON'S Manfred was everything a German Romantic — or, indeed, a Deutsche Romantik Festival — could hope for: a solitary figure, poised on the edge of an Alpine crag, searching into the setting sun for the secrets of the cosmos, and suffering as only a being poised between Goethe's Faust and Nietzsche's Superman could suffer.

Schumann discovered him in Byron's dramatic poem at the age of 18. He did not sleep much that night and, 20 years later, worked out what had become an obsession in a now well-known overture and in 15 pieces of more rarely heard incidental music. Neither Byron nor Schumann had looked to the theatre to incarnate their hero: this was the theatre of the mind or — if it had existed in their day — the very stuff of radio drama.

Those who tuned in to Radio 3 last night will have heard the works in what is possibly its perfect form, recorded from Saturday's revelatory concert.

Philip Franks (as Manfred), with David Firth and Maria Friedman, narrated a text adapted and directed by Jeremy Sams. Only the Spirits — four soloists and the excellent BBC Symphony Chorus — had small singing parts. Just as Schumann's music — a fleeting miniature tone-poem here, a single trombone and tuba chord there — is in the nature of a gentle tint which enhances or intensifies an engraving, so Franks judged to a nicety the rhetorical scale and sensibilities of the verse.

As Manfred debates with himself exactly what it is he seeks, his words are haunted by the sombre spectre of Schumann's E Flat symphony; the Witch of the Alps appears and is apostrophised to the aqueous harp and divided strings of the waterfall of music. As Manfred returns to "the gulf of [his] unfathomed thoughts" the confrontation with Arimanes, Prince of Earth and Air, is prepared by a single lusty chorus, and the meeting with Manfred's phantom lover Astarte conjured in a tiny clarinet *fantasiestück*. Finally, defying Man, God, Demons and a short choral Requiem, the rest is silence.

The skill with which this elusive and delicate hybrid of the Romantic imagination was recreated by the BBC Symphony Orchestra, actors and singers under Andrew Davis was matched by the eloquence of a rewarding complementary performance of Berlioz's Byronic symphony *Harold in Italy*, with Nobuko Imai as viola soloist and melancholy dreamer incarnate.

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That, at any rate, is one's opinion in Jane Austen's *Mansfield Park*. However, the views of Austen's "one" seem unacceptably snobbish to us today. "One" might be surprised to learn, for example, that thousands of today's school-leavers have not got acquainted with Shakespeare at all. In a survey of 16-year-olds, ten per cent thought "To be or not to be" was a question that bothered Nero; others thought it was Christ.

That "Englishman" is also suspiciously imperial, extending the influence of his Shakespeare "abroad". Yet anti-racist literary criticism rightly points out elements of negative stereotyping both in *Othello* and *The Merchant of Venice*.

So what shall we make of a festival seemingly sweepingly called Everybody's Shakespeare, under the patronage of the Prince of Wales, presided over by Adrian Noble, the artistic director of the Royal Shakespeare Company (*see interview on the right*) in league with the BBC, and based in the Barbican, the architecturally flummoxing fortress where seasoned theatre critics can still be found on the wrong floor?

Well, frankly, Everybody's Shakespeare is giving it a good shot. The advertisements promoting Will for everyone are all over the Tube. The plays are international productions from America, Japan, Germany, Israel and Georgia, including Peter Sellars's *Merchant of Venice* and Tadashi Suzuki with *The Tale Of Lear*. There are also films, concerts, and jokey platform performances, Radio 3 discussions and, on television, documentaries, workshops, animated Shakespeare, and so on. There is plenty for the expert at the Barbican, from Marina Warner talking to a silent movie of *Hamlet*. For children, there's an interactive show, carefully called *How To Be Bottom*.

There are, of course, shortcomings. The pick'n'mix programming can look like a hotchpotch with holes. Noble recognises this. "Some have no access to Shakespeare. Some have no interest in it," he says. "But I contend that it belongs to everybody. We have tried to make the festival highbrow and lowbrow."

Talking to a new audience, Sellars's high-tech *Merchant*, staged with microphones and television monitors, is — in the wake of the Rodney King riots — set in modern Los Angeles, and explores racial tensions, capitalism and injustice. Venice becomes Venice Beach. Shylock is an Afro-American money lender at odds with a clique of racist gay and bisexual Latinos. Portia is Chinese-American from super-rich Bel Air. "If I had my way we'd be offering cheap tickets to people in Brixton to come and see Sellars's *Merchant*," says Michael Kustow, the festival's artistic consultant.

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Actually, neither Noble nor Kustow are simplistically asserting this is Shakespeare for everybody, across the board. Another meaning of the title is that Shakespeare can be everybody's individually. Karin Beier claims her *Romeo and Juliet* (surtitled), from the Düsseldorf Schauspielhaus, "takes a very personal view. I am trying to catch the 'life-feeling' of rich German kids in the 1980s and 1990s. There are two poles to this feeling. One is of love — almost reaching each other, but not quite — and of danger. Beier believes the German approach to Shakespeare is, in general, different to the English. "We try to find out what we can say through Shakespeare. In England, respect for the author is higher."

Suzuki's 100-minute version of *King Lear* is also a personal vision. An old man in a sanatorium is told Shakespeare's tale by a nurse, who becomes the Fool as the other characters materialise around him. Suzuki uses an entirely male cast to emphasise the friction between the generations. That's relevant to modern Japan, where the disintegration of the family has, Noble says, "happened like a car crash".

But its resonances are clearly wider. "I have cut out the good men," Suzuki says. "I start from the assumption that the world is ill, a hospital where you don't know if the doctors — the politicians — are capable. It is about a society where man has ceased to believe in other men. There is no binding morality. Perhaps America is the country where we see this most clearly."

Suzuki's theatrical style, perhaps not instantly accessible, is strongly rooted in breathing and stamping, a tradition from which Noh and Kabuki emerged. But his company's aim is to overcome cultural and national barriers. *The Tale Of Lear* was originally devised with American performers. Sellars, who lives in LA, clearly takes a local angle, but also with multi-culturalism as his driving force.

Presented by the Itim Theatre Ensemble (in Hebrew, surtitled), Rina Yerushalmi's *Romeo and Juliet* (in which the balcony scene is on a huge horse, and which features four Romeos and four Juliets, sometimes simultaneously) is more clan-based than Beier's generation-based staging. "In Israel", Yerushalmi says, "we live in a land of racial hatred. So we were drawn to the play, but soon realised it didn't resemble our situation. Our production focuses on a universal: love, the merging of body and mind, masculine and feminine, and transcends time and space."

Different nationalities, different views, but all sharing one thing — a passion for Shakespeare.

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Plays to catch the conscience

Artistic director Adrian Noble talks to **Alan Franks** about the indomitable heart of Shakespeare

A great irony of Shakespeare's appeal is that we run out of words in trying to define it. But we persist, and the explanations evolve as best they can. One view to which many now subscribe is that he comes to be even more valued than usual by societies in a condition of spiritual poverty. The theory is endorsed by the RSC's Adrian Noble, who believes this is happening in Britain today.

"There is no doubt that some ages get more out of him than others," he says. "It is true of all societies in which his work is known. They look to him to articulate certain eternal truths when there seems to be some crisis of faith, some vacuum."

It is not that parts of the canon replace existing religious texts, but rather that the plays are scanned for earnests of hope, order, purpose, divine justice and much besides. This function, Noble agrees, could only be fulfilled by an artist of the utmost spiritual abundance. "Whatever he is saying, and however he is saying it, he is always dealing with dimensions that stand beyond the everyday passage of our lives. He occupies a 360-degree universe, and his characters journey through that universe in a free and exciting way."

Other constant presences are morality and humanity, each one frequently tempering the other in the working-out of the dramas. "For me, Shakespeare poses a moral problem and then he examines it from many points of view. He will walk the audience member around it, not in a distancing or academic way, but in a series of dilemmas about that problem.

"Take *Henry V*, and war. One moment you are excited by the prospect, and you find yourself going all militaristic, aggressive, jingoistic. Then he shows you the other side of the coin, the natural revulsion against it all, but together with the political difficulties that might be faced if we duck the challenge and do *not* take up arms.

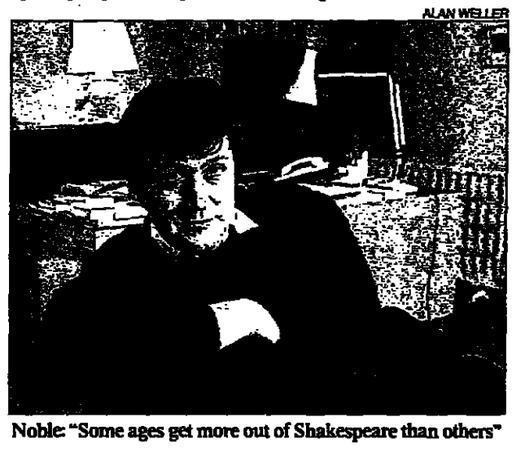
"He always insists on this marvellous ambivalence, so that, for example, we find Shylock's action utterly repellant — 'What do you mean, kill a man for debt?' Then the people judging him turn out to be repulsive as well, and you are continually being spun around, having to reconsider in a light that is forever new. That is the true Shakespeare.

"Like the greatest Greek drama, it educates you, makes you wiser. This happens not just on the intellectual plane, but on the emotional one as well. You feel for both parties, and that feeling, namely compassion, seems to be the very source of wisdom and mercy."

What of Shakespeare's greatest glory, the language itself? With the best will in the world, the best Will in the world must always be the English one. How can translators, even the free and poetic ones, hope to transport such sublime imagery without breakage and loss? Noble's answer is that Shakespeare's narratives are amazingly eloquent in their own right.

"I think the potency of the story is right at the heart of it [his universal pull]," Noble says. "It is for this reason that the Suzuki Company can focus on the disintegration of traditional family values in their own society by looking at the story of *King Lear* and finding a man being pulled apart by his children; and for this reason that an Israeli company can look at *Romeo and Juliet* and find two tribes not talking."

ALAN WELLER



Noble: "Some ages get more out of Shakespeare than others"

LONDON FRINGE: Lepage's masterpiece in progress; gay truths strike home

Brilliance with blemishes



Puppet mastery in *The Seven Streams of the River Ota*

WHEN it is finished, Robert Lepage's latest original — quietly, dazzlingly original — theatre piece will be a seven-hour seven-part affair. At present it's a three-hour trilogy. The creative process is, fascinatingly, going on under public gaze as his Quebec-based company, Ex Machina, tours internationally.

The Seven Streams of the River Ota, at the Riverside Studios, Hammersmith, is not yet perfect. There are technical wobbles with the set of Japanese screens and mirrors. Reshuffling and cutting the narrative since the Edinburgh Festival have resulted in a shorter, simpler but less transcendentally phrased form. Still, the piece is impressively all-embracing: a multilingual, multimedia work that refracts life into theatre, opera, video projection and traditional Asian puppetry. Scenes slip tellingly between divergent genres: a naturalistic, painful domestic showdown turning into an exaggerated bedroom farce.

Panoramic yet intimately focused, the piece contemplates the incomprehensible — Hiroshima and the Holocaust — glimpsed through an individual life: that of Jana, a Czech photographer living in contemporary Japan. The view widens to adjacent lives and her earlier years: in a concentration camp as a child, and in a New York tenement of dodgy 1970s artists. Thematically, it grows into a study of the relationship between atrocities and artistic representation, and of sexuality and the socially "unacceptable".

Jana (Ghislaine Vincent, not at her best) sleeps before a glass. We see her childhood self (an intense Marie Brassard) on the other side, in a tiny box, befriended by and falling in love with an older woman in the camp, an opera singer who performs *Madam Butterfly* and later commits suicide in reality (Rebecca Blakenship, whose acting has improved). Little Jana herself assists a magician in the entertainment the Nazis have commanded: made to "disappear" in a box into which her body hardly fits, but in which she finds the means of escape.

In Hiroshima, shy, sensitive Pierre (delicately portrayed by Eric Bernier), a young French-Canadian artist lodging with Jana while learning calligraphy, finds the limits of his sexuality are paper-thin as he moves between masculine and feminine, discovers an eroticism in being the object of voyeurism and, in sleeping with a 60-year-old woman, damagingly betrays his girlfriend. Even as he intellectually scrutinises large issues — ethics and aesthetics, history and the creation of layered identity — Lepage is acutely sensitive to the grain of life.

There are more ghosts from the past and amorous male lodgers in **The Tenth Man** at the New End, Hampstead. A Frenchman returns incognito to the mansion he gave away to a poor boy who, in return, took the former's place before the Nazi firing squad, leaving his twin sister wealthy and vengeful. This is an adaptation of a Graham Greene thriller, but Antic Hay theatre company's oafish and dreary staging is about as hair-raising as staying home and doing a bit of housework.

KATE BASSETT

Out of the closet and into a life

Boy
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Shaun Duggan's play comes in the wake of Jonathan Harvey's *Beautiful Thing*, Brad Fraser's *Poor Super Man*, and several other pieces dealing with the pains and perils of being young and homosexual. So the obvious question is what, if anything, it adds to a genre already suffering from overload? The answer is a refreshing unsentimentality and some gripping scenes, but also a certain lack of invention.

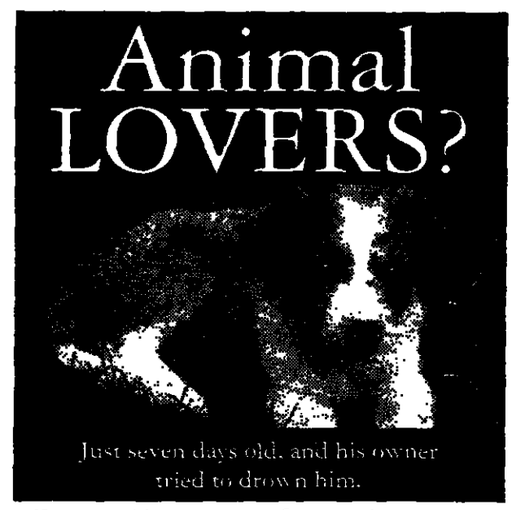
This may seem an odd accusation, for Boy, as Duggan baldly calls his protagonist, comes in an unconventional guise. He is played by three young men, Mickey Poppins, Tom Higgins and Sean McKee. Who is who is hard to tell, since the biographies in the programme are accompanied by cute portraits of the actors in earlyish childhood; but their dramatic function is clear. One is the cautious self, frightened of being humiliated and longing to be straight. Another stands for the homosexual impulses that will not be repressed. And the third seems to be the human pot in which these conflicts are simmering.

This is an oldish trick, used more effectively by Peter Nichols in *Passion Play*, which dramatised a disintegrating marriage by bringing onstage a sensual alter ego for the husband and a distraught one for his seemingly collected wife. Altogether, imaginative originality is not Duggan's strong point. Note the names of his characters: Boy, Mother, Bully, Friend 2, Man 3. They signal plainly enough that the people are more generalisations than individuals, and that the play involves typical or representative experiences rather than the quirks of reality.

But if you buy that, the play has plenty to offer. Indeed, it is a better introduction to the subject of "coming out" than *Beautiful Thing*, which makes a difficult and often agonising process seem absurdly easy. Duggan evades little or nothing: the mother desperate for a nice suburban son; the viciously homophobic classmates; the passers-by who, spotting the three anti-heroes nervously emerging from a gay club, threaten to burn the place down "with all the faggots in it"; the Boy trio's terror of being unmasked at the workplace.

When Duggan arrives at his wary conclusion — self-acceptance and the chance of happiness for Boy — it carries more weight than that of *Beautiful Thing*. Suicide has been a serious possibility. Obstacles have been surmounted. Homosexuality has, so to speak, been earned.

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Gary Slapper on the implications of yesterday's Ouija board case ruling

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Whodunit? A seance meeting in New York in 1887 in which a floating hand was said to have written a message

The dangers of spiritual guidance

Of the 6,000 appeals that will be made to the criminal division of the Court of Appeal this year, probably the most bizarre was that decided yesterday. The successful appeal of Stephen Young, who is to face a retrial, raises important questions about the way juries work, the contempt laws, the criminal justice system, and even some theological and philosophical points to vex the clergy and academics.

In 1993 Mr Young, 35, was unanimously convicted by a jury at Hove Crown Court, East Sussex, of two murders. In March he was jailed for life. It later came to light, however, that during the time the jury was out, four of the jurors who were wavering about the proper verdict used a Ouija board to consult with one of Mr Young's alleged victims.

In what was described as "a drunken experiment" they held a seance to ask the victims who killed them. It was claimed that they conjured up the spirit of Harry Fuller, who was killed with his wife Nicola. The spirit allegedly confirmed that the defendant was their killer.

Stephen Gilchrist, Mr Young's solicitor, appealed on the ground that there was a "material irregularity" in the deliberations of the jury. "On the facts that are available," he says, "the jury reached their decision not on the basis of the evidence but on conversations with the deceased."

The Lord Chief Justice, Lord Taylor of Gosforth, sitting with Mr Justice Waterhouse and Mr Justice Bell, said yesterday: "We have decided the appeal must be allowed in this case. We take the view there should be a retrial." They will give reasons for their decision at a later date.

The judges had read statements from all 12 members of the jury, and from two jury bailiffs. Yesterday they made an order under the Contempt of Court Act banning publication of the contents of the statements until after the retrial.

This case raises questions about Section 8 of the Contempt of Court Act 1981, which effectively prevents jurors from talking about how they came to their decisions. It makes it a criminal offence "to obtain, disclose or solicit any particulars of statements made, opinions expressed, arguments advanced or votes cast by members of a jury in the course of their deliberations".

How the jury makes its decision is a private matter for the jurors. The reason behind the prohibition on jurors telling anyone what went on in the jury room, or which way jurors decided, is a bit like that behind the secret ballot: it precludes bribery and blackmail. It makes little sense for someone to offer inducements or threats to a juror to decide in a certain way if that juror's decision cannot be checked.

Also, as a government report observed in 1965: "If such disclosure were to be made, particularly to the press, jurors would no longer feel free to express their opinions frankly when the verdict was under discussion, for fear that what they said later might be made public."

Disclosure of jury secrets was formally made a specific offence, however, only in 1981; before that the courts examined each case on its merits to see if the disclosure in issue amounted to a contempt.

The rule has generated a number of problems. It has meant that there is no proper empirical research on how juries decide cases. To what extent is prejudice on the basis of, say, race, sex or class a significant feature of how juries discuss and decide cases?

The problems have really been highlighted in complex fraud trials lasting many weeks or months. It would be a challenge even for trained experts to sit diligently listening to the complicated twists of some financial scam, for hours every day, for a period of months; while all the time taking detailed notes and remembering names, dates and figures. Jurors are not selected for such skills and there is evidence that many have been deciding such cases on alarmingly capricious criteria.

Even before Section 8 of the 1981 Act, it was an established rule of law that, on appeal, a court could not look at what went on in the jury room. In a case in 1922, Lord Justice Warrington said: "The court does not entertain or admit evidence by a juryman of what took place in the jury room by way of explaining the grounds on which the jury arrived at their conclusion."

It was the *News of the World* which exposed the Ouija board story and it probably came to light because the jury had retired to a hotel — the Old Ship in Brighton (there was, it is said, talk of the seance over breakfast). But suppose the jurors in the hotel had sought advice from their god through prayer? Would such a course of action invalidate their decision? They would, after all, be consulting something non-corporeal and something other than the evidence in the case. The divine and "superstitious" oracles both rely on the faith of the juror.

Will the Court of Appeal be able to argue, when its reasons are eventually given, that consulting a god for guidance is permissible but that consulting any other non-corporeal entity is not allowed? The court could avoid such a quandary by saying that absolutely nothing must guide jurors other than the evidence given in court. That option, however, would prevent religious people from receiving divine guidance when many must often be in great need of it.

This would be an awkward decision from judges with the courts' motto *Dieu et mon droit* on a shield above them.

The jury, more than 800 years old in Britain, is generally seen as a desirable feature of the British constitution. Lord Devlin referred to it as "the lamp that shows that freedom lives", observing that "the first object of any tyrant in Whitehall would be to make Parliament utterly subservient to his will; and the next to overthrow or diminish trial by jury" because no tyrant could afford to leave a citizen's freedom in the hands of ordinary people.

Geoff Mulgan, director of the think-tank Demos, argues that the jury is "Britain's most democratic institution" and the best model for public involvement in politics.

Last year, the Royal Commission on Criminal Justice recommended a loosening of the terms of the Contempt of Court Act to permit some research into how juries deliberate. The Government has not taken up this idea.

In the United States, jurors are allowed to disclose their own votes but not to refer to the views or voting of other jurors. There are those who believe, though, that if ever jury secrecy was abandoned here, trial by jury would eventually go the same way.

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Laying down the law in Europe

Today in Luxembourg the European Court of Justice will consider an issue which will receive less publicity than the recent Commission regulation prohibiting the sale of bananas of "abnormal curvature", but one which is of far greater importance. The court is being asked to decide when a Member State has a duty to pay compensation for loss caused by its failure properly to implement its obligations under European Union law.

In the past 30 years, a series of judgments by the court has established the force and effect of European law. In *Costa v ENEL* in 1964 the court held that the Treaty of Rome, and legal rights and obligations derived from it, have supremacy over national law. If sufficiently clear and precise, such rights and obligations can have direct effect in the courts of Member States, although directives only have this effect against organs of the state, and not against private individuals, as the court confirmed last July in *Faccini Dori*. In *Marleasing* in 1990, the European Court decided that national courts have an obligation to interpret national law, so far as possible, consistently with a directive (whether adopted before or after the national law).



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Also in 1990, in *Factortame*, the court stated that a national court must have power to grant an injunction to set aside legislation which might impede, even temporarily, rights granted under European Community law. In *Emmott* in 1991, the court added that national time-limits for the bringing of litigation do not begin to run unless, and until, a Member State has properly implemented its legal obligations. These judgments, among others, have established European law as a powerful legal system.

What has caused most concern to Member States is the judgment of the court in 1991 in *Francovich and Bonifaci v Italy*. A directive required Member States to protect the wages of employees whose employer became insolvent. When Italy failed to comply, the court held that Italy was "obliged to pay compensation for harm caused to individuals by breaches of Community law for which they can be held responsible".

This was because the directive was designed to confer rights on individuals, it defined those rights, and there was a causal link between Italy's breach of its obligations and the damage suffered.

Francovich concerned non-implementation of a directive. The judgment left unclear the extent to which a Member State might be liable for damages where it has attempted to implement its obligations, but has done so inadequately or erroneously.

In the two cases before the court today for oral argument, *Brasserie du Pecheur* and *Factortame (No 3)*, the German Federal Constitutional Court and the Divisional Court in England, respectively, have asked the court for further guidance on damages. The German case concerns legislation protecting the quality of beer.

In *Factortame*, loss was suffered by Spanish fishermen who were adversely affected by the Merchant Shipping Act 1988. In each case, the financial damage was incurred as the result of the Member State's failure properly to implement obligations under European Community law.

The court is very likely to step back from imposing a potential liability in damages whenever a Member State makes a mistake as to the meaning of a directive, or of the Treaty of Rome, and so fails properly to implement its obligations. The court is sensitive to the financial and other implications which such a general principle would have for Member States. It is aware that the uncertainty inherent in European Union law makes it impossible for Member States always to comply with their obligations.

The court also knows that the principles for the award of damages for unlawful administrative action differ in the various Member States. In the United Kingdom, for example, there is no general right to damages for a person who has suffered foreseeable loss as a direct result of an illegal act of government, for example the misinterpretation of a statutory instrument or a perverse decision which has adversely affected a business. To recover damages, it is necessary to establish a tort, such as misfeasance (which involves the public body exceeding its powers maliciously or at least knowingly) or negligence.

In *Brasserie du Pecheur* and in *Factortame (No 3)* the court will probably state criteria similar to those suggested by Advocate-General Mischo in *Francovich*: in particular, that damages may only be claimed if the breach of European law is "manifest and grave" (a criterion applied where damages are claimed against an institution of the Community under Article 215 of the Treaty of Rome).

Such criteria would provide further encouragement to Member States to comply with their legal obligations, and would penalise Member States which were culpable, but would avoid the creation of a strict liability in damages for which there is little to be said in principle or as a matter of policy.

● *The author is a practising barrister and a Fellow of All Souls College, Oxford.*

Goldsmith takes chair

THE BAR is about to have its youngest chairman. Peter Goldsmith, QC, 44, is the new head of the 6,000-member profession after being elected unopposed in the recent Bar elections. He takes over at the end of the year.

David Penry-Davey, QC, was elected vice chairman and Michael Blair, who works for the Securities and Investments Board, becomes treasurer, the first employed barrister to be elected an officer of the Bar Council.

Mr Goldsmith, one of the stars of the commercial Bar, went to Quarry Bank High School, Liverpool, and to Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, taking a double first in law. He took silk when aged 37.

Thumbs up

THE CONSTRUCTION industry has given the thumbs up to the move by the Institute of Commercial Litigators to be granted the right to take their own cases in the courts rather than have to use solicitors or barristers.

LAWYERS AND OUTS



Peter Goldsmith, QC

The institute, whose members are not lawyers but construction professionals with some legal qualifications, has already won the backing of the Office of Fair Trading and also that of some 2,000 companies and construction firms. The institute has applied for rights of audience from the Lord Chancellor's advisory committee on legal education and conduct.

Switched on

AS LAWYERS become computerised, legal publishers are starting to innovate. From next month each issue of the monthly legal magazine *The Eagle* will come complete with a computer disk attached to the cover.

Says editor David Jacobs: "It will be similar to what you find on the front of a consumer magazine, but directly relevant to our reader's work as lawyers.

The first disk will provide a data base on charities along with a bank interest calculator. Unfortunately it will not have any games, but perhaps fittingly for a magazine for senior lawyers, it may carry a chess game soon, says Jacobs.

That's rich

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That's showbiz

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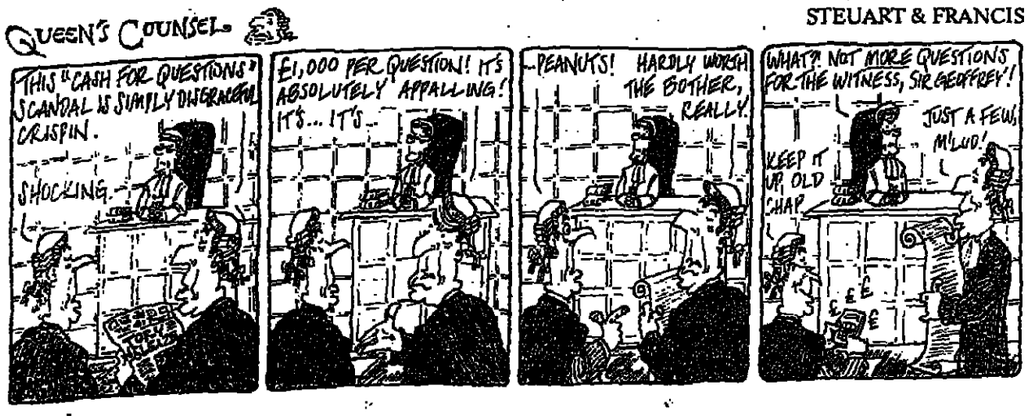
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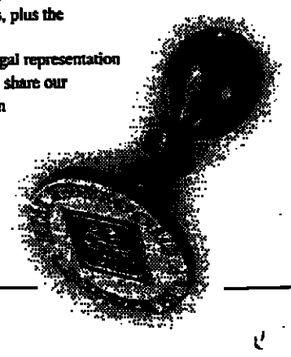
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Helen Garlick on reforms that may change the Child Support Agency from pariah to paragon



Former judge Dame Margaret Booth slams the Child Support Act; MP Frank Field may help to reform it

Time to tame a beast of an Act

"I recognise that it's impossible to please all the people all the time, but this Act has gone a long way in displeasing all of the people a lot of the time," Dame Margaret Booth, the former High Court judge, recently said about the Child Support Act 1991.

But there are signs that a recent test case may prove to be the final successful push in legal campaigns to batter away at governmental resistance to reform of some of the Act's more unpopular features.

An Essex father, Roy Biggin, refused to pay the £80 child support, assessed for the two children of his first marriage. In challenging the CSA's attempts to enforce payment with a deduction from earnings order issued to his employers, Mr Biggin argued that the magistrates could review the CSA assessment on the ground that it was not in the best interests of the children. Mr Biggin had shouldered responsibility for the two children of his new relationship, whose natural father had died.

His attempt failed, but the case was important in that the Colchester magistrates set a precedent, albeit shaky, for the principle that decisions by the agency are open to challenge in the courts if the assessment is not in the best interests of the children.

The case is on the fast track for appeal to the High Court, with the worried CSA reportedly underwriting the costs of Mr Biggin's appeal. If upheld, it would boost lawyers' hopes of the CSA's welfare principle being the basis for challenge of unfair assessments.

The bottom line is that most family lawyers want to see the CSA put to death. However, given the high level of financial investment in the agency — its funds have been topped up by £70 million, to reach £184 million in its second post-implementation year — that dream is unlikely to be realised.

So, what next? Top of the lawyers' agenda is the need for discretionary review by the courts. "On the basis that the CSA can only put the formula into effect or do nothing, there must be a safety valve that leads back into the court system," says James Pirrie of the national committee of the Solicitors Family Law Association. "Otherwise, in cases like Mr Biggin's, there will be nowhere to go — the assessment is not right, but the Act prohibits child maintenance being ordered by the court."

The proposal for court reviews has been given added impetus by the Biggin case, although any review must be tight to ensure that the safety valve is available to meritorious cases, not exploded by thousands of individuals unhappy with simply having to pay more. The current UK formula produces similar results to the widely praised Australian system. At one and a half times weekly earnings, the UK formula means that 20 per cent of the absent parent's gross income will go on child support, as compared with 23 per cent in Australia.

But many injustices remain, which could be remedied if the inflexibility of the formula were softened by review by the family courts, well used to adapting outcomes to the needs of a particular case. Sue Slipman, director of the National Council for One Parent Families, advocates the adoption of a review system similar to that in Australia. "Unusually high access costs, the shouldering of joint debts or the mortgage on the family home would form the criteria for review by the courts, which would have wide discretion to recommend what orders should be made," she says. A more flexible approach for retrospective cases — where the rules of the game changed after couples thought they had already reached watertight agreements — is also envisaged.

The need for the agency to tackle its backlog of cases is beyond doubt, with the Solicitors Family Law Association making the pragmatic suggestion that the courts should be available where there are prolonged delays. Other urgent issues include the need for voluntary payments by the parent who leaves the home to be taken into account in the assessment. At present these are simply ignored, thus discouraging former partners from making any payments until the assessment is made.

The Social Security Select Committee, headed by the Labour MP Frank Field, has to come up with some answers. Its latest report is expected at the end of this month. Unless it manages to produce results that satisfy more of the people more of the time, the agency may never emerge from the mire.

To Russia, with a plan of action

Areas of legal and business confusion were tackled during the Queen's visit

London law firms played a leading part in last week's charm offensive aimed at Russia's new business elite as part of British Invisibles's mission to extract maximum value from the Queen's visit. Lawyers from Clifford Chance, Allen & Overy and Freshfields took centre stage on the Royal Yacht *Britannia*, welcoming Anatoly Sobchak, the mayor of St Petersburg, as well as top Russian bankers and businessmen.

"The kind of debate and exchanges we developed during the day is still very unusual in Russia," says Jeremy Carver of Clifford Chance. "British and Russian members of the business community are still getting to know each other."

Although the long-term results are likely to be a strengthening of the legal and commercial network between the two countries, the meeting also addressed the concerns facing Western investors interested in Russian enterprises. "Potential investors find real problems when examining prospects," Mr Carver says. "In our discussions, the Russians failed to pick up the importance of environmental concerns and trademarks. But what did come through clearly, and was acknowledged by the Russians, was the issue of having a clear title to enterprises. In many cases it is not clear who owns businesses which are being sold."

With an estimated £330 million of Western capital being invested in Russia each month, there is a limit to how long this uncertainty can continue. British Invisibles, which represents Britain's top law and accountancy firms and financial institutions, has been trying to clarify things. One key initiative has been to produce a draft Anglo-Russian legal assistance treaty, now being considered by both governments, to provide a mechanism through which disputes can be resolved.

"Improving the Russian legal infrastructure would be a great step forward in helping business to develop," says Alison Wright, the director general of British Invisibles. Many leading London law firms have now opened in Moscow — Norton Rose has just opened a new, expanded office — but most concede the prospects are still in the balance. "Work here could either take off like a rocket or crumble," one lawyer says.

Malcolm Groom, a Denton Hall partner, says his firm is in Russia "for the long haul", and expects no quick profits. "There are real difficulties here. In effect, we are having to invent legal solutions to problems because there are no precedents."

● AT a time of renewed military activity in the Gulf, **Simmons & Simmons** is opening an office in Abu Dhabi, with a team of four lawyers. After years of working for the private office of the royal family of Abu Dhabi, this is an important move for the firm in an area which is relatively low-profile, commercially, at present. "I can understand why Simmons & Simmons are making the move, because they have extremely good contacts with the government," says Andrew Clark of Allen & Overy, which operates out of Dubai. "Frankly, that's where most of the spending comes from these days — government contracts."

● JUST back from America is **Freshfields**'s personnel director Alan Rance, after what is believed to be a first in legal recruiting. Given the rapidity of the firm's Asia practice, there is a need for more trainees who speak the languages of China, Vietnam and Thailand. Britain has limited stocks of suitable graduates, but they are not quite so unusual in the top American law schools. "There was a massive amount of interest in us," Mr Rance says. "The students were extremely bright, and we had the choice of some very talented young lawyers."

Freshfields will be making offers to four young Americans to go on work placements in Asia, and offering full traineeships to four more.

EDWARD FENNELL

2,000,001 — an odyssey

PEOPLE will be able to register smells, sounds and three-dimensional shapes when the new Trade Marks Act 1994 comes in on October 31. The registry at the Patent Office is expecting a deluge of applications — and, in particular, great competition to win the trademark application number 2,000,001, which will be the first in the new sequence. Interested companies should submit applications by hand to the Patent Office in Newport or in London between 9am and 10am on October 31. The owner of 2,000,001 will then be decided by a draw.

LEGAL NEWS ROUNDUP

Top out, top-up

THE "topping out" of Cambridge university's new law faculty, designed by Sir Norman Foster, has just taken place. The building, to be opened next year, will bring one of the country's largest law faculties — 800 undergraduates and 200 staff on to one site. Some of the funds have come from the £5 million given to the university by a former law student, Peter Beckwith, who went on to set up the London and Edinburgh Trust. But Professor Sir David Williams, the vice-chancellor, said: "Despite generous donations, there is still some way to go."

Swift work

A £3 million dispute over a contract between Hawker Siddeley Power Engineering and the Ceylon Electricity Board was resolved by the mediation service CEDR in just five days. One of the parties estimated that its costs savings alone were some £200,000.

Commercial break

SCOTLAND'S first commercial court is open for business. Lord Penrose, who had wide commercial experience when at the bar, has been appointed the first full-time commercial judge in the Court of Session. The move means a commercial judge is always on hand and will counter criticisms of delays and an inability of the court to meet commercial litigants' needs. Two other judges, Lords Cullen and Coulsfield, will also be on hand to help out with commercial work.

New job

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Tariff should be reconsidered

Regina v Secretary of State for the Home Department, Ex parte Chapman

Before Lord Justice McCowan and Mr Justice Gage

[Judgment October 18]

A discretionary life prisoner whose tariff under paragraph 9 of Schedule 12 to the Criminal Justice Act 1991 had been fixed at 20 years was entitled to have the matter reconsidered on the ground that no equivalent fixed-term sentence had ever been imposed for similar offences.

An opportunity should be given to a discretionary life prisoner to make informed written representations to the Home Secretary about any post-sentencing material which the Lord Chief Justice was to be provided *with when he* advised on the length of the prisoner's tariff.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held allowing an application by Reginald George Chapman, a discretionary life prisoner convicted in 1977 of six offences of rape and two offences of buggery, for, *inter alia*, a writ of *certiorari* quashing the Home Secretary's decision of July 30, 1992 that for the purposes of paragraph 9 of Schedule 12 to the 1991 Act the punitive element of his sentence which had to be served before he could be *considered for release on* licence under section 34 should be 20 years.

In June 1992 the Home Secretary had consulted Lord Taylor of Gosforth, Lord Chief Justice, who had acted as prosecution counsel at the applicant's trial, as to the appropriate tariff period in relation to the applicant. Lord Taylor had recommended a period of 20 years.

Mr Edward Fitzgerald for the applicant; Mr David Pannick, QC, for the Home Secretary.

LORD JUSTICE McCOWAN said that *the applicant had submitted* that the process of certification conducted by the Home Secretary under paragraph 9 of Schedule 12 to the 1991 Act had been unfair because he had not been allowed to make informed representations on the length of the penal term to be served.

Further, the term specified in the certificate, being the equivalent of a 30-year sentence, was manifestly disproportionate given that no fixed term sentences in excess of 20 years had ever been upheld for sexual offenders, even where they had been convicted of a series of offences.

Mr Pannick did not accept that the tariff was completely out of line with other cases.

In answer to the argument that no fixed term of 30 years imprisonment had ever been fixed for *similar offences he had pointed out* that the graver the facts of a case the more likely it was that a sentencer would have thought in terms of a life sentence.

His Lordship, however, was in no doubt that no reasonable Home Secretary, properly addressing his mind to the matter and properly advised, would have come to the conclusion that it was not necessary to ask the Lord Chief Justice to reconsider the applicant's tariff.

In the light of the fact that it was impossible to find a case where an equivalent fixed-term sentence had been *imposed the situation called* for a reconsideration.

Had the applicant been the victim of an unfair procedure because he had not had the opportunity to make representations to Lord Taylor? The Lord Chief Justice was not the decision *maker, clearly that was the Home* Secretary. But since the Lord Chief Justice's view was almost certain to be accepted it was important that he should have all the relevant material.

His Lordship could see an argument that no post-sentencing material should go before the Lord Chief Justice at all, but what did not seem right was that he should have part of the material and not all of it.

It was only fair that the applicant should know what the material was that the Home Secretary *intended* to put before the Lord Chief Justice and that he should be afforded an opportunity to make written representations to the Home Secretary in the light of that material which would be passed on to the Lord Chief Justice.

Should Lord Taylor be asked to reconsider the applicant's tariff *given that he had been prosecuting* counsel at the original trial? Mr Fitzgerald had made it absolutely clear that he did not suggest any actual bias on the part of Lord Taylor, rather that there would appear to be a real possibility of bias.

Mr Fitzgerald had made a fair point, in his Lordship's judgment, when he had said that it would be unthinkable that a judge who had been prosecuting counsel in a case would not have disqualified himself from sitting as a judge of the Court of Appeal on an appeal against sentence in the same case.

His Lordship had not found it an easy matter at all but he had taken into account that the applicant was likely to suffer from a sense of grievance if Lord Taylor reconsidered the matter.

His Lordship had concluded that, in the circumstances, the Home Secretary should invite another senior judge who habitually presided over the Court of Appeal, Criminal Division, to reconsider the applicant's tariff.

Mr Justice Gage gave a concurring judgment.

Solicitors: Ater Mackenzie & Co, Evesham; Treasury Solicitor.

Right to appeal Parole Board limit

Regina v Dalton

Before Lord Taylor of Gosforth, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Potts and Mr Justice Sachs

[Judgment October 20]

An appellant, who did not challenge a life sentence imposed for rape, had the right to appeal to the Court of Appeal against the judge's order specifying the period of the sentence which he had to serve, the relevant part, before his case could be brought before the Parole Board.

The appeal was brought by Frank George Dalton, aged 26, who at Teesside Crown Court on a plea of guilty to rape was sentenced by Judge Stroyan to life imprisonment and the relevant part of *the sentence was stated to* be 12 years, representing two-thirds of 18 years in accordance with section 34(1) and 33(2) of the Criminal Justice Act 1991.

Section 33 of the 1991 Act provides: "(2) As soon as a long-term prisoner has served *two-thirds of his sentence, it shall be* the duty of the secretary of state to release him on licence. . .

"(5) . . . 'long-term prisoner' means a person serving a sentence of imprisonment for . . . four years or more."

Section 34 provides: "A life prisoner *is a discretionary life* prisoner . . . if (a) his sentence was imposed for a violent or sexual offence the sentence for which is not fixed by law: and (b) the court by which he was sentenced for that offence ordered that this section should apply to him as soon as he had served a part of his sentence specified in the order ['the relevant part'). . ."

Mr James Chadwin, QC and Mr Kenneth Gillance, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant; Mr Guy Whitburn, QC, for the Crown.

THE LORD CHIEF JUSTICE, giving the judgment of the court, said that the appeal had been brought by leave of the single judge and, because it raised a point not previously decided by the court, their Lordships had asked for leading counsel for the appellant and the Crown to appear.

The point at issue was whether an appellant who did not challenge the imposition of a life sentence had any right of appeal to the Court of Appeal against the judge's order under section 34 of the 1991 Act, which empowered him to specify "the relevant part" of the sentence, that had to elapse before the appellant's case could be brought to the parole board.

In *R v Willsher* ((unreported) May 26, 1994, CA) and *R v Waller* ((unreported) *June 30, 1994, CA)* there was challenge to the sentence itself and the court dealt with what had been a wrong approach to section 34 by the trial judge. In *R v O'Connor* ((unreported) October 26, 1993, CA) there had been no challenge to the life sentence but there was challenge to the judge's approach to his task under section 34 as a matter of law.

In the present case there was no challenge either to the life sentence or to the propriety of the judge's approach to section 34. What was challenged was the actual period of time he had fixed as the relevant part, simply on the merits of the case.

The question was whether that could be the subject of appeal. Their Lordships had been greatly assisted by skeleton arguments presented by both counsel.

The crucial question was whether the relevant part fixed by the judge under section 34 amounted to an "order" within section 9 of the Criminal Appeal Act 1968, which gave a right to appeal against any sentence not being a sentence fixed by law, and section 50(1), later substituted by paragraph 1 in Schedule 5 to the Criminal Justice Act 1991, which defined "sentence" as including any order made by a court when dealing with an offender. Their Lordships, in view of section 34(1)(b) and (3), had no doubt that it did amount to an order.

In the order, as drawn up, the word "recommendation" appeared, which was an inappropriate word to use.

The regime was as follows: It was for the judge, who imposed a life sentence for a violent or sexual offence where the sentence was not fixed by law, to implement section 34 in most cases, because *Practice Direction (Crime: Life Sentences)* ([1993] 1 WLR 223) made it clear that that would not be so if the judge formed the view that the gravity of the offending was such that life should really mean life.

However, otherwise, although section 34 was not itself in mandatory terms, judges should implement section 34 in imposing a discretionary life sentence. Once the judge had gone through the exercise of deciding what the relevant part should be, it was fixed unless the Court of Appeal saw fit to vary it.

As stated in *O'Connor*, the trial judge had to consider what would be the appropriate determinate sentence to pass if he were not to pass a life sentence, by reason of risk to the public in the future. So he had to consider what would be the appropriate sentence for punishment and deterrence.

Having decided that, he had not to leave it at that but had to consider section 33(2) and 35(1), which made it clear that a long-term prisoner would have to serve half of his sentence, as provided by section 35(1) and might have to serve up to two-thirds, in accordance with section section 33(2).

The judge had then to decide whereabouts in the area between two-thirds and half of the determinate sentence he would have imposed, had he not been going to impose a life sentence, he ought to *fix the relevant part.*

Their Lordships considered all the circumstances of the case under appeal, upheld the life sentence and concluded that the judge had assessed the relevant part at too high a level, and the sentence was varied by reducing the relevant part to 10 years.

Solicitors: Crown Prosecution Service, Middlesbrough.

Entitlement to exemplary damages

Treadaway v Chief Constable of West Midlands

Before Mr Justice McKinnon

[Judgment July 29]

A man who had been seriously assaulted by police officers in order to obtain a confession to involvement in armed robberies, for which he was later convicted by a jury, was entitled to substantial exemplary damages which would not be reduced on account of his being a man with serious criminal convictions.

Mr Justice McKinnon so held in the Queen's Bench Division sitting at Birmingham in (i) finding that the plaintiff, Derek John Treadaway, had been assaulted by officers of the West Midlands Serious Crime Squad and (ii) *awarding him* £2,500 compensatory, £7,500 aggravated and £40,000 exemplary damages.

Mr Patrick O'Connor, QC and Mr Tim Owen for the plaintiff; Mr Jeremy Gompertz, QC and Mr Geraint Norris for the chief constable.

MR JUSTICE McKINNON said that the plaintiff was arrested in March 1982 on suspicion of armed robbery and was interviewed on a number of occasions. He alleged that after being assaulted he signed a fabricated statement under caution which amounted to a confession.

In March 1983 he was convicted by a majority of 10 to two and sentenced to 15 years imprisonment which he had now served. At the trial the prosecution relied on the allegedly fabricated confession and upon the evidence of two accomplices.

There was no *voir dire* so that there was no determination of the issue as to whether the confession was fabricated and had been improperly obtained.

The plaintiff alleged that he signed the confession only after he had been handcuffed behind his back and a succession of plastic bags had been placed over his head with *the ends* bunched up behind his neck, causing him to struggle and pass out at one point. After the fourth plastic bag was held over his head he signed the confession.

The court had to look at the background of the plaintiff who had numerous convictions for dishonesty and had to balance that against his resulting vulnerability. In his criminal trial in 1983 his own evidence was that he had in the past been engaged in fraudulent transactions and that it did not matter to him if he lied if he got what he wanted.

There was the curious position in which Mr O'Connor had invited the court to treat the plaintiff as guilty of the armed robberies of which he was convicted by the jury in 1983 although the plaintiff, when asked about them in evidence, had denied that he was guilty of any armed robbery.

It was undoubtedly a difficult case which was important to all parties concerned.

His Lordship had no doubt that the plaintiff was cynically denied access to a solicitor when he wanted one. He asked for a solicitor and was told that he was not going to get one.

The medical evidence involved a combination of injuries to the plaintiff which was quite remarkable.

The minor injuries to the wrists, the petechial haemorrhages to the shoulder and sternum and the minor abrasions inside the mouth were not explained by the police account but were entirely consistent with the plaintiff's account and taken together provided rather more than slight reinforcement of it.

His Lordship was satisfied to a high degree of probability in accordance with *Hornal v Neuberger Products Ltd* ([1957] 1 QB 247) that the plaintiff was assaulted by the five officers.

His Lordship believed the plaintiff, fully appreciating that credibility was the sole issue in the case. Regrettably, he did not believe the evidence of four long serving police officers who, he found, played various parts in the serious assaults upon the plaintiff.

Exemplary damages could only be in a substantial sum in such a case.

The court should not reduce the exemplary damages because of the sort of man the plaintiff was with serious convictions.

That was because the plaintiff, with all his faults, had been placed in a position where he was entitled to expect that he would be given the protection of the law.

That he was certainly not given. What happened to him amounted to nothing less than torture. That was unacceptable everywhere.

The police officers concerned had shown contempt for the plaintiff and thus for the rule of law.

Solicitors: B. M. Birnberg & Co: Mr J. Polychronakis, Birmingham.

Sentencing is not a separate proceeding for extradition

In re Forwell

Before Lord Justice Butler-Sloss and Mr Justice Wright

[Judgment July 29]

The process of sentencing could not be classified as a separate detention or proceeding against an extradited person for the purposes of article 12 of the Extradition Treaty between the United Kingdom and the United States of America, as contained in Schedule 1 to the United States of America (Extradition) Order (SI 1976 No 2144), so that a risk of an increase in sentence referable to earlier conduct, for which prosecution was time-barred, could not prevent extradition.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held when dismissing an application by Michael Cleave Forwell for *habeas corpus* against the Governor of Belmarsh Prison and the Government of the USA.

The applicant who was resident in the United Kingdom, was committed by the Bow Street Metropolitan Stipendiary Magistrate in 1993 on charges relating to the importation of drugs into the US and detained in prison pending a decision by the Home Secretary as to his extradition.

A second point taken by the *applicant as to the wording of the* second charge on which he had been committed by the magistrates was successful and was set aside.

Article 12 of the Extradition Treaty provides:

"(1) A person extradited shall not be detained or proceeded against in the territory of the requesting party for any offence other than an extraditable offence established by the facts in respect of which his extradition had been granted or on account of any other matters. . ."

Mr Lionel Swift, QC and Mr Donald Cryan for the applicant; Mr James Lewis for the United States.

LORD JUSTICE BUTLER-SLOSS said that the US government had evidence to show that a number of drug offences had been committed by the applicant between 1982 and 1988: those allegations were now time-barred.

Underlying the applicant's submissions as to the proper construction of article 12 was that the applicant ought not to be extradited to the US since he would be dealt with there for offences in respect of which had extradition had not been ordered.

That was because in sentencing the applicant the time-barred offences could under US statutory law be taken into account even though the conduct could not be the basis of separate legal proceedings.

To take account of such conduct, *the applicant argued, was in* breach of article 12 as "detained" included the period after trial and conviction and included any increase in sentence due to earlier conduct. Further, proceedings post-conviction for the purpose of sentencing were proceedings against the applicant for other offences.

In their Lordships' view "detained" could not be stretched to encompass the sentencing process. Other offences or other matters related to separate and distinct proceedings and not to the post-conviction sentencing process.

In any event it was not for the English court to investigate the sentencing process: see *R v Governor of Pentonville Prison, Ex parte Sinclair* ([1991] 2 AC 64); *R v Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Ex parte Government of Denmark* ([1984] 79 Cr App R 1).

Just as it was not for the English *court to consider if it was unjust or* oppressive or an abuse of the process for the applicant to be returned, it was not for the court to enquire into the way in which the foreign state would sentence after conviction.

The effect of the applicant's argument would be to render ineffective any future applications by the US Government for extradition of those who had previously been convicted of offences and would allow notorious criminals to go scot free. It was obvious that such was not the object and intent of the treaty.

Mr Justice Wright agreed.

Solicitors: T. Cryan & Co, Harrow; Crown Prosecution Service, Headquarters.

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Kickers punished by long-range returns

By Robert Kirley

AN AMAZING nine touchdowns were scored on kick-offs or punts in the National Football League on Sunday, including the longest punt return in history, 103 yards by Robert Bailey, of the Los Angeles Rams, and a 102-yard kick-off return by Mel Gray, of the Detroit Lions.

The New Orleans Saints' 37-34 victory over the Rams featured four scoring returns of 90 yards or more, including two kick-off returns for touchdowns by Tyrone Hughes, of New Orleans. Hughes scored from 92 yards in the second quarter and from 97 yards in the third.

"In all my years in the league, I have never had two 90-yard returns against me," Chuck Knox, the Los Angeles coach, said. "And I have never been in game in which there were four 90-yard plays. It's hard to believe all this happened."

Hughes, who broke a 44-year-old league record by totalling 304 yards on returns, became only the fourth player to return two kick-offs for touchdowns in a game and the first since 1985.

The Rams injected their own long-range dramatics in the fourth quarter when Bailey returned a punt from three yards deep in the end zone. Tommy Barnhardt's punt crossed the goalline, but the Saints failed to down the live ball. Bailey picked it up and raced the length of the field as the New Orleans players, believing the play was over, were heading towards their bench. The game also featured a 98-yard fumble return for a score by Toby Wright, of the Rams.

Chris Miller started the game for the Rams and completed seven of 11 passes for 88 yards, one touchdown and two interceptions before retiring concussed as half-time approached. Chris Chandler replaced Miller and was seven of 16 for 74 yards with one interception.

Jim Everett, of New Orleans, threw for 206 yards and a touchdown in his first game against his former team and Morten Andersen kicked three field goals.

In the Lions' 21-16 home victory over the Chicago Bears, Gray returned a kick-off 102 yards for a touchdown and Chris Spielman returned a fumble 25 yards for a score. Gray returned four kicks for 174 yards to become the all-time leader in kick-off return yardage.

Barry Sanders, of Detroit, the No 1 rusher in the league, gained 167 yards on 23 carries, including an 84-yard run to set up the first Detroit touchdown. Sanders gained 133 yards in the first half.

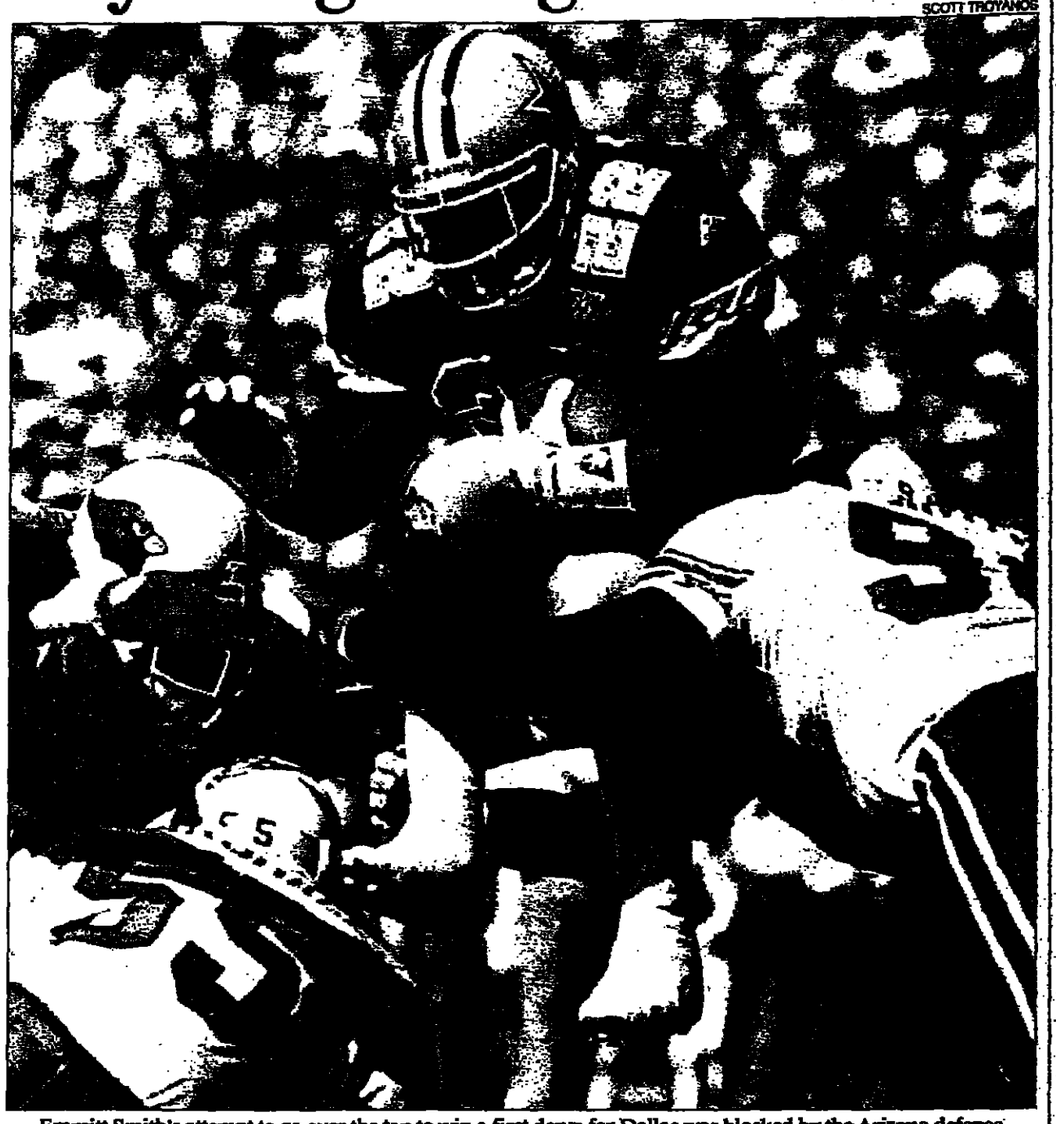
Troy Aikman, of the Dallas Cowboys, was concussed in a 28-21 win against the surprisingly competitive Arizona Cardinals but said he would be fit to play next week. After being tackled by Wilber Marshall on the first series, Aikman executed one more play with a badly cut chin, throwing a 15-yard touchdown pass to Alvin Harper.

Rodney Peete replaced Aikman and threw touchdown passes of five and 65 yards to Michael Irvin to guide the Cowboys to victory against a club they had defeated by 35 points two weeks ago.

The Cowboys, Cleveland Browns and San Diego Chargers lead the league with six victories and one defeat apiece. San Diego were beaten for the first time on Sunday, 20-15 by the Denver Broncos, as Jason Elam kicked fourth-quarter field goals of 54 and 25 yards.

The Browns, who won their fifth game in a row by beating the hapless Cincinnati Bengals 37-13, are off to their best start in 31 seasons.

SCOTT TROYANOS



Emmitt Smith's attempt to go over the top to win a first down for Dallas was blocked by the Arizona defence

NFL DETAILS

RESULTS: Week eight: Detroit 21 Chicago 16; Cleveland 37 Cincinnati 13; New Orleans 37 LA Rams 34; Pittsburgh 10 NY Giants 6; Kansas City 38 Seattle 23; Washington 41 Indianapolis 27; LA Raiders 30 Atlanta 17; Dallas 28 Arizona 21; Denver 20 San Diego 15; San Francisco 41 Tampa Bay 16.

American Football Conference

East division	W	L	PF	PA
Miami	5	2	180	146
Buffalo	4	3	134	143
NY Jets	4	3	118	122
New England	3	4	175	183
Indianapolis	3	5	167	186
Central division				
Cleveland	6	1	166	79
Pittsburgh	5	2	124	117
Houston*	1	5	87	134
Cincinnati	0	7	101	180
West division				
San Diego	6	1	185	126
Kansas City	5	2	159	131
LA Raiders	3	4	163	178
Seattle	3	4	153	124
Denver	2	5	156	192

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East division	W	L	PF	PA
Dallas	6	1	187	90
Philadelphia*	4	2	140	106
NY Giants	3	4	127	144
Arizona	2	5	89	155
Washington	2	6	169	211
Central division				
Minnesota	5	2	147	105
Chicago	4	3	129	129
Detroit	3	4	127	145
Green Bay	3	4	117	97
Tampa Bay	2	5	96	159
West division				
San Francisco	6	2	237	150
Atlanta	4	4	158	184
LA Rams	3	5	135	156
New Orleans	3	5	158	208

* Does not include game played last night.

FIXTURES: Week nine: Sunday: Dallas at Cincinnati; Detroit at NY Giants; Kansas City at Buffalo; Miami at New England; Philadelphia at Washington; Cleveland at Denver; Houston at LA Raiders; Minnesota at Tampa Bay; NY Jets at Indianapolis; Seattle at San Diego; Pittsburgh at Arizona. Monday: Green Bay at Chicago.

Restraint of choice cases lead to rule changes

By David Hands
Rugby Correspondent

RUGBY union's gradual relaxation of the amateur regulations over the last five years has now led, with a degree of inevitability, to a situation in which players can justifiably challenge those regulations on the basis of "restraint of trade".

For a so-called amateur sport, this appears anomalous. Yet Rugby Football Union (RFU) officials admitted yesterday that threatened actions for "restraint of choice" were tantamount to the same thing because of the ability of players to earn substantial sums of money from their sporting reputations.

After the interim meeting in Vancouver of the International Rugby Football Board (IRFB) last week, delegates from New Zealand and Australia were sent home to redraft regulation seven, which deals with ineligibility and reinstatement. The board seeks a regulation which will hold good in any court of law, it having been proved in both those countries that, as things stand, it will not.

The cases of Brett Papworth, in Australia, and Brett Iti, in New Zealand, union players who switched to league and who are now back playing union, have left the board painfully aware that its regulations fall foul of laws in both countries.

At present, regulation seven bars former rugby league players from returning to union before three years have elapsed since their last involvement with professional rugby, and limits their involvement to below national level. "We are advised that it's restraint of choice, which can indirectly affect the ability to earn money," Dennis Easby, the president of the RFU and a lawyer, said.

Since players can now legitimately earn money from rugby union, a sporting by-law preventing them doing so could well be overthrown in the law courts, leaving rugby's governing bodies with no control of who is eligible to play and who is not. "It would be a major concession to allow rugby league players back to play," John Jeavons-Fellows, one of the RFU's board representatives, said. Indeed, the IRFB has already received a writ from Stuart Evans, the former Wales prop who played rugby league for St Helens, alleging restraint of trade.

The board's working party on amateurism will meet in Dublin on December 2; meanwhile, under existing regulations, former players made "professional" for writing books are now permitted unrestricted involvement in the game, which would leave such individuals as Bill Beaumont and Fran Cotton free to coach at the highest level. Mike Coulman, the former Moseley and England prop, and David Holmes, the former Sheffield and England B scrum half, both of whom turned professional, have been reinstated.

'A regulation that holds good in any court is needed'

Higgins heads charge of snooker's young brigade

By Phil Yates

THOSE critics who insist that professional snooker is far too predictable because its leading prizes go to only a select few have a weak argument these days, even more so after John Higgins beat Dave Harold 9-6 in the Skoda Grand Prix final on Sunday night.

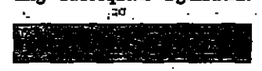
Higgins, 19, is only the third teenager, after Stephen Hendry and Ronnie O'Sullivan, to win a world ranking tournament, and his success is indicative of how open the game has become. Steve Davis believes that standards have never been higher, and the performance of Higgins, the world No 51, supports that theory.

Not that Higgins, who collected a first prize of £60,000, will remain so low in the rankings for long. He is already 22nd on the provisional list for next season, and has the potential to secure a place in the top 16.

Many contemporaries of Higgins possess excellent technique, unerring hand-eye coordination and potting skills. Few, however, produce such watertight safety and, as he demonstrated against Harold, an unflappable temprement.

Higgins lost 10-9 to Leigh Robinson in a qualifying round of the world championship this year after leading 9-4. When Harold, 8-4 down and 45-0 behind in the thirteenth frame, recovered to trail 8-6, the Scot admitted that memories of that painful defeat in January flooded back.

Losing a match after appearing a certain winner can leave psychological scars that can only be healed by repelling subsequent fightbacks.



J Higgins (Scot) bt J Harold (Eng) 9-6 (Higgins first): 98-10, 41-64, 82-48, 72-9, 1-75, 87-9, 74-0, 93-36, 91-23, 6-123, 22-82, 118-0, 46-58, 28-77, 82-1.

Higgins did just that by beating Davis 5-4 in the last 32 of the Dubai Classic after leading 4-1, and he managed it once more against Harold.

Unhesitatingly, Higgins accounted for the fifteenth frame with an 82 break. It was a stylish end to a memorable event for Higgins, who had beaten Willie Thorne, James Wattana and O'Sullivan on his way to the final.

One of the recurring themes in the post-match press conference was whether Higgins had been motivated by his less than amicable split from the Cuesports management stable, chaired by Ian Doyle. Although Higgins was diplomatic it was evident that some of Doyle's comments had acted as an incentive.

"I would rather my leaving Ian had been tucked away in the corner of a paper but he came out with the first shots, saying I was unprofessional and didn't practise enough," Higgins, now managed by Chris Williams, a Denbigh businessman, said. "It made me determined not to fall on my face."

Higgins will have plenty of time to dwell on his triumph. Although he competes in the Benson and Hedges championship in Edinburgh on Sunday, his next engagement in a world ranking tournament is not until the European Open in mid-December.

Higgins lost 5-3 to his compatriot, Chris Small, in the final qualifying round for the Royal Liver Assurance United Kingdom championship next month. That, if it was needed, was further proof of the game's depth of talent.

Triumph over technology

Brian Clarke witnesses an unlikely moment of glory for a canny angler

It happens too rarely. Fishing matches these days are mostly won by the lean and hungry men who live for little but the cash, and glory of a kind. They wear specially-designed suits in bankside green or the colours of their sponsoring company. They wear baseball hats that sell somebody's wares. Their rods are as sophisticated as ray guns and they cradle them in electronic rests that beep-beep at every breath of wind.

They sit on designer boxes laden with enough tackle to stock a shop, and their hands hover over their rod-butts like gunmen waiting to draw. They are tense and hair-triggered. These are the men who win most fishing matches, and they punch the air when they do.

That's not how it was on the Forty-Foot drain, the ancient cutting that cleaved through the Lincolnshire fens near Chatteris, at the weekend, for once dignity and quiet demeanour took the stand. Tom Johnson, a local pensioner, won the British pike fishing championship against 515 other anglers hands down.

Johnson is what the match professionals would call a "pleasure angler". He fishes not for cash or fame but for the joy of it. He loves the water and the reflections of clouds. He loves the wide Fenland sunsets — "You can see all of them here, not just little bits between buildings and trees," he said. He also loves the peace and the solitude.

Not surprisingly, he does not look much of a match-man. To be precise, he looks exactly like a bemused Mr Crabtree, the cartoon character through which the great Bernard Venables inspired two generations to fish. He has the same face, and the same eyes. He wears an old tweed hat and a checked shirt, and an old jacket — even in driving rain under a leaden sky. He wears Mr Crabtree wellies. He fishes with two battered old rods that he lies on the ground when waiting for a bite.

He also fishes with a head full of canny local knowledge and catches fish which he sometimes weighs and always, like all coarse anglers, puts back. On Saturday, fishing against opponents from all over England, the man who rarely enters competitions and who has never won anything before caught two of the biggest pike of his life, a mile from his own front door. One weighed 17lb 4oz, the other 15lb 9oz. They gave him one of the biggest aggregate weights in the long history of the competition.

"I knew I was in with a chance when I drew the peg," he said. "This is my local water. I simply fished in a way I know." He used — pike fishing, even pleasure pike fishing, is not for the squeamish — a dead roach on one rod, and a dead sprat on the other. He ledgered them onto the bottom using tiny, slender floats as indicators, when everyone else was using bungs as big as ballcocks. He kept his rod-tip underwater to minimise the effect of surface drift on his line, when most others had theirs blowing about on the top. He knew where the fish would probably be, and he concentrated on that spot.

Of course, it was not all skill. A field that size had a lot of men in it who knew what they were doing, and in the perfect conditions — slightly coloured water, steady wind and an overcast sky — any one of 50 men could have won.

All that was necessary was to get the right draw and to get in to fish early because, locals knew, the Forty-Foot dive before lunch. Johnson got exactly the right draw and took both fish in an hour.

The Anglers' Conservation Association will, as it does every year, benefit from the championship proceeds, and a quiet man who has been contented in angling shadows for more than 50 years has found brief fame and a four-figure fortune. He looked well able to handle both.

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RC Bays-Stones
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Ref: MDS
Solicitors for the above-named Company.

MOUNT TRAVEL LIMITED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a meeting of the creditors of the above named company will be held at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co, situated at 30 Eastbourne Terrace, 22nd Floor), London W2 6LF, on 2nd November 1994 at 12.00 for the purposes provided in Section 98 et seq. A list of names and addresses of the above named company's creditors can be inspected at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co, PO Box 563, 30 Eastbourne Terrace, 22nd Floor), London W2 6LF, between the hours of 10.00am to 4.00pm on the two business days preceding the Meeting of Creditors.
DATED THIS 17th October 1994.
R.D. Levy - Director

No. 004729 of 1994
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE CHANCERY DIVISION
Mr Registrar Buckley
Wednesday, 5th October 1994
IN THE MATTER OF SKETCHLEY PLC AND IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated 5th October 1994 confirming the cancellation of an amount of £8,000,000 standing to the credit of the Share Premium Account of the above named company was registered by the Registrar of Companies on 19th October 1994.
Dated this 26th day of October 1994.
HERBERT SMITH
Exchange House
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London EC2A 2HS
Solicitors for the above named company

Notice of appointment of Administrative Receiver
BSRK Limited
The Scene Dock Limited
Vendetta Special Effects Limited
Ealing Studios Management Limited
Beams Lighting Limited
BSRK Group Limited
Registered number:
1026491
1878213
2661628
2757678
1972581
2292336
Trading name(s): Ealing Studios
Nature of business: Management of Ealing Studios and provisions of related services
Trade classification: 38 Other Business Services
Date of appointment of administrative receiver(s): 14 October 1994
Name of person appointing the administrative receiver(s):
The Royal Bank of Scotland plc
(i) C J Barlow & N J Vooght Administrative Receiver/Joint Administrative Receivers (office holder Nos.)
Address(es)
Coopers & Lybrand
Hillgate House
26 Old Bailey
London EC4M 7PL

NOTICE OF 998 MEETING OF CREDITORS
Rhombic Diamond Drilling & Cutting
Principal Trading Address: Unit 25 Eastern Industrial Estate Extension, Widerat Way off Yarnton Way, Erith, Kent
Company Number 1959575
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a meeting of the creditors of the above-named company will be held at Tonsho Bros Co, Commodity House, Instone Road, Dartford, Kent on 2 November 1994 at 11:00 am for the purposes mentioned in Sections 99 to 101 of the Insolvency Act 1986. A list of names and addresses of the company's creditors will be available for inspection free of charge at Touche Ross & Co of Columbia Centre, Market Street, Bracknell, Berkshire during the two business days preceding the above meeting.
Dated: 20 October 1994
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
J M Mooney
Director

Notice of Appointment of Administrative Receiver
EALING STUDIOS LIMITED (In Administrative Receivership)
Notice is hereby given that Alan Redwood Price (office holder no6946) of Cadwin Beckman & Partners Hobson House 155 Gower Street London WC1E 6BJ was appointed Administrative Receiver by Close Brothers Limited on 14 October 1994

Paragon Fashions Limited
(In Administrative Receivership)
THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
In accordance with Rule 4.106 of the Insolvency Rules 1986, notice is hereby given that I, K.P. Barry, FCA a Licenced Insolvency Practioner of Messrs. Leonard Curtis & Co, PO Box 563, 30 Eastbourne Terrace, (2nd Floor), London W2 6LF, was appointed Liquidator of the above Company by the members and creditors on 19th October 1994.
DATED THIS 19th October 1994
K.P.Barry. FCA Liquidator.

THE INSOLVENCY RULES 1986
RULE 4.106(1)
ANAPAK LIMITED
In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation
Notice is hereby given that I, Eric John Stanley Chalkley Chartered Accountant, of Leach Bright & Partners, Barrett House, Chestnut Avenue, Guildford, Surrey, GU2 8RH, was appointed Liquidator of the above named company on 19 October 1994.
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Date:19 October 1994
E J Stenham
Liquidator

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2. The said schoolhouse has ceased to be used for the purposes of the Morwenstow Voluntary Controlled School and pursuant to Section 1 of the Reverter of Sites Act 1987 a trust for sale has arisen in respect of the said premises.
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2. Any beneficiary who wishes to oppose the extinguishment of rights should notify his claim in writing to Follett Stock, Solicitors, Mabas Road, Truro, Cornwall, TR1 1QH ref: AMS/LW no later than 30th January 1995.

Thorbourne Commercial Development Limited (In Administrative Receivership)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 46 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a general meeting of the unsecured creditors of the above-named company will be held at PO Box 665, 30 Eastbourne Terrace, (2nd Floor), London W2 6LF on 4th November 1994 at 10.30 hrs for the purpose of having a report laid before the meeting and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Administrative Receivers. Creditors whose claims are wholly secured are not entitled to attend or be represented. Please note that a Creditor is entitled to vote only if he has delivered to the Administrative Receivers at Leonard Curtis & Co at the above address not later that 12.00 hrs on 3rd November 1994 details in writing of the debt claimed to be due from the company, and such claim has been duly admitted under the provisions of the Insolvency Rules 1986 and there has been lodged with the Administrative Receivers any proxy which the creditor intends to be used on his behalf.
J.J. Schepers, ACA
Joint Administrative Receiver
Dated 20 October 1994.

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Pipe feels the colder climate

By Julian Muscat

THE twisting lanes approaching Nicholashayne, a sleepy village on the borders of Devon and Somerset, offer no hint of a passing recession. The grass is lush, the hills alive and the entrance to the Pond House stables of Martin Pipe suggest a tranquility untempered by economic cycles.

It is an illusion. In taking the wraps off his National Hunt stars yesterday, Pipe conceded there was indeed room at the inn. His stable strength, traditionally the bedrock of his success, has thinned out from the 140 inhabitants of 12 months ago. "We haven't counted the numbers but we have about 100 in the yard at the moment," Pipe said, before making haste to the horses-in-training sales at Newmarket.

Consequently, it is as well that Pipe has all but completed the process of upgrading the quality of his string. Gone are the succession of prolific winning recruits from the Flat. Gracing the yard these days is a herd of aspiring steeplechasers, all raw in bone but bold in outlook. The "look of eagles" gazed out from above every stable door.

None caught the attention more than Midnight Hour, a strapping New Zealand-bred gelding about whom Pipe is candidly optimistic. "He is a fine young prospect; a really exciting horse. We are expecting big things from him," the trainer said of this five-year-old in the livery of Stan Clarke, the chairman of Uttoxeter racecourse.

Granville Again is back with Pipe after a brief spell with Len Lungo in Scotland and the 1993 champion hurdler has the Bula Hurdle on his agenda.

The challenge now facing Pipe is as steep as the stretch of *schooling ground over which* his horses exercise. It is on Aintree and Cheltenham, rather than Newton Abbot and Exeter, that his sights are now trained. But old habits die hard — the emphasis remains on converting each winning *opportunity*.

He played down his eclipse by David Nicholson for the accolade of champion trainer, a contest decided by weight of prize-money. He was, he proclaimed, more than satisfied with his haul of 127 winners, itself 46 more than Nicholson but a far cry from the 200-plus totals he regularly posted at the start of the decade.

"I don't know about money, but my target this season is to train the most winners," he said. "It's no good just winning one big race. It would be nice to win all the big races because that is where the prize-money is, but the art is to get more numbers of winners."

Miinnehoma, the apple of his eye, has proved the exception to that rule. Last term, Pipe's season ran into any number of cul-de-sacs before Miinnehoma took the biggest pot of all — the Martell Grand National at Aintree. To judge by Pipe's enthusiasm yesterday, that momentous victory has served to raise his sense of anticipation for the unfolding season.

"It was marvellous for a horse to come back from such a bad injury and jump those *severe fences the way he did*," Pipe said of the 11-year-old, who is expected to return to the fray in the Welsh National over the Christmas period. "You don't realise what it's like until you've won it. The atmosphere is tremendous. The race has a terrific following, not just in England but worldwide."

So much so that Martell, the race sponsors, are deep in negotiations to transmit live coverage of the event to China, in addition to venues in Singapore, Vietnam, Spain and the United States.

The Grand National meeting goes from strength to strength: Martell's annual contribution towards prize-money next April will exceed *£450,000, taking total* purses at the three-day event to a record £650,000. To be sure, they are sums already deeply ingrained in Pipe's meticulous mind.

JULIAN HERBERT



Pipe parades his Grand National winner, Miinnehoma, at the open day

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: MISTY SILKS (1.20 Leicester)

Next best: Son Of Sharp Shot (2.50 Leicester)

Country Member poised to return to the fray at Ascot

ANDY Turnell is poised to bring smart chaser Country Member back from an 18-month lay-off in the three-mile Bagshot Handicap Chase at Ascot on Saturday. On the same card, Storm Alert will be attempting to give the trainer his third consecutive success in the United House Construction Handicap Chase.

Country Member has only once finished worse than second in ten completed outings over fences, earning nearly £50,000 in prize-money.

The eight-year-old was landing his fourth win of the season when he beat the subsequent Gold Cup runner-up, Rushing Wild, in the Agfa Diamond Chase at Sandown in February 1993.

But he has not been seen out since finishing second to Givus A Buck in the Ritz Club Chase at the Cheltenham festival the following month.

Turnell said yesterday: "He broke down in the Ritz and we have had him fired. He seems all right but we will not know until he runs how good he is now."

The East Hendred trainer added: "We'll have to see how he works on Wednesday before deciding whether to run. He wouldn't run unless the ground was good, but they do not seem to have had the rain at Ascot that there has been elsewhere."

Nigel Twiston-Davies confirmed that his Grand National hope, Indian Tonic, is a likely opponent, provided the ground is not too dry. This race could also see much-improved Dubacilla making her debut for David Nicholson.

Turnell's Storm Alert will bid to repeat last year's success in the two-mile United House Chase, a contest won by his former stable companion, Katabatic, in 1992.

"I'm not worried about the ground for Storm Alert and he is a definite runner," Turnell said. "He had some problems and I was never happy with him last season. His first run turned out to be one of his best. Time will tell, but I am pleased with him now and I would like to *think that he is very well in* himself."

Big-race entries

Bagshot Handicap Chase (3m): Annio Chilone, Buck Willow, Calapaez, Channel Pastime, Country Member, Docklands Express, Dubacilla, Flashthecash, Gold Cap, Indian Tonic, Nearco Bay, Pats Minstrel, Solidasarock, Spikey, Tammy's Friend, Topsham Bay.

United House Construction Handicap Chase (2m): Around The Horn, Congregation, Drumstick, Leckendara, Moulton Bull, Oh So Grumpy, One More Dream, Snitton Lane, Spree Cross, Storm Alert, Wingspan, Young Snugfit.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Leicester

Going: good

1.15 (1m 8yd) 1, SANDMOOR DENIM (G Strange, 10-1); 2, Blazing Heart (M Henry, 14-1); 3, Finjan (G Mitchell, 14-1); 4, Puffy (P Bowe, 40-1). ALSO RAN: 3-1 fav Lady Lacey, 8 Languedoc, Sparkling Roberta (6th), 10 Little Rousillon, Mint A Million, 14 Eastleigh, Level Edge (5th), Mr Cube, 16 Fighter Squadron, Noeprob, 25 Tauteliane, 40 Genesis Four, Launchselect, Midin, Oakley Manor. 19 ran. NR: Sky Diver. 2¾l, ½l, 1¼l, nk, sh hd. S Bowring at Mansfield. Tote: £18.60; £3.70, £6.20, £8.30, £54.20. DF: £489.40. Trio: £487.00. CSF: £135.62. Tricast: £1,789.33.

1.45 (7f 9yd) 1, CRAIGMILL (W Ryan, 15-8); 2, Stone Ridge (Pat Eddery, 7-4 fav); 3, Swivel (D Harrison, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 8 Haleka (4th), 9 Shining Dancer, 10 Salaman (5th), 16 Miles Away (6th), 25 Merrilouk, 33 Commander Glen, Irie Mon, Voila Premiere, 40 Air Of Mystery, Bolshol, 50 Alpine Storm, Northern Charmer, Swandale Flyer. 16 ran. Hd, 8l, hd, 1l, 1¾l. H Cecil at Newmarket. Tote: £2.00; £1.60, £1.20, £5.90. DF: £2.70. CSF: £5.95.

2.15 (7f 9yd) 1, CLIFTON FOX (M Birch, 11-2); 2, Shahid (W Carson, 9-2 fav); 3, Euphyllia (C Balding, 11-1); 4, Never Time (J Quinn, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 At Liberty (5th), 7 Perfect Bertie (6th), 10 Elite Racing, 14 Major Snugfit, 16 Magical Manoeuvres, Stulled, Water Bebe, 20 Bex Hill, 25 Hee's A Dancer, Magical Bid, 33 Bills Ploughgirl, Evaporate, 50 Cranbrook Kate, 66 Pagan Heights. 18 ran. ½l, 2l, 2l, 1¼l, hd. J Glover at Worksop. Tote: £6.50; £1.30, £1.60, £2.70, £3.30. DF: £13.20. Trio: £33.00. CSF: £29.78. Tricast: £253.00.

2.45 (7f 9yd) 1, JAFEICA (Pat Eddery, 2-1); 2, Katsura (L Dettori, 5-4 fav); 3, Basameat (R Hills, 7-2). ALSO RAN: 16 Supercool (4th), 50 Rosina's Folly (6th), 66 Real Madrid (5th), Truthful. 7 ran. NR: Parsion. 4l, 2¼l, 3½l, ¾l, 1¼l. R Hannon at East Everleigh. Tote: £3.10; £1.90, £1.10. DF: £2.10. CSF: £4.58.

3.15 (1m 3f 183yd) 1, COTTEIR CHIEF (Pat Eddery, 100-30); 2, Golden Ball (W R Swinburn, 5-4 fav); 3, Isle Of Pines (W Ryan, 13-8). ALSO RAN: 50 Shellyr (4th). 4 ran. 1¾l, 8l, 8l. M Pipe at Wellington. Tote: £4.50. DF: £3.20. CSF: £7.37.

3.45 (5f 218yd) 1, GOLDEN LADY (T Quinn, 10-1); 2, South Rock (Dean McKeown, 4-1); 3, Brass Tacks (J Reid, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 6-4 fav Dormez Vous (6th), 6 Distant Princess, 13-2 Hadeel (5th), 16 Lough Erne, 20 Bella Sedona, 33 No Exchange, Our Own Aisling, Run-Do-Run (4th), Star Information, Whittingham Girl, 66 La Thuile. 14 ran. Hd, ¾l, 2½l, nk, ¾l. R Hannon at East Everleigh. Tote: £12.00; £2.80, £1.90, £5.00. DF: £23.40. CSF: £49.85.

4.15 (5f 218yd) 1, SAILORMAITE (S Webster, 11-1); 2, Little Ibnr (S Sanders, 14-1); 3, Bayin (R Street, 6-1 jt-fav); 4, Everset (D Wright, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 6-1 jt-fav Jigsaw Boy, 7 Mr Bergerac, 12 Jimmy The Skunk (5th), Orthorhombus, 14 Ancetlady, Born To Be (6th), Doris Doors, My Ruby Ring, Queen Of Shannon, 16 Love Legend, 20 Birchwood Sun, Green's Bid, 25 Aragrove, Hiltons Travel, Maid Welcome, Melodic Drive, No Quarter Given, Petraco. 22 ran. 2l, sh hd, nk, 2l, ¾l. S Bowring at Mansfield. Tote: £20.70; £5.50, £1.60, £2.30, £6.40. DF: £124.50. Trio: £408.90. CSF: £156.38. Tricast: £936.29.

Placepot: £487.80. Quadpot: £45.60.

Lingfield Park

Going: soft (turf course), standard (AW)

1.30 (7f) 1, Quintus Decimus (M Roberts, 14-1); 2, Better Offer (13-8 fav); 3, Pragia (11-2). 13 ran. NR: King Of Babylon. Sh hd, 5l. Lord Huntingdon. Tote: £17.30; £3.00, £1.70, £2.60. DF: £12.20. CSF: £32.90.

2.00 (5f) 1, Monkey Adel (J Carroll, 2-1); 2, Fantasy Racing (11-8 fav); 3, Bent Al Fala (14-1). 6 ran. 2½l, 3l. J Berry. Tote: £2.80; £2.30, £1.10. DF: £1.70. CSF: £5.01.

2.30 (1m 6f) 1, Well Arranged (A Clark, 7-1); 2, Artic Courier (5-2); 3, Arctic Maid (4-1). Kamtikeya 6-4 fav. 10 ran. NR: Hush Tina. 3l, 1¾l. R Akehurst. Tote: £7.10; £1.50, £1.40, £1.40. DF: £7.70. CSF: £23.60.

3.00 (7f) 1, Red Light (B Rouse, 5-1); 2, Bob's Ploy (7-4 fav); 3, Senorita Dinero (9-1). 13 ran. 2l, 3l. Lord Huntingdon. Tote: £7.40; £2.00, £1.30, £2.10. DF: £8.20. CSF: £13.99.

3.30 (7f, AW) 1, African Chimes (Emma O'Gorman, 9-2); 2, Soaking (8-1); 3, Formidable Liz (8-1). True Precision 3-1 fav. 15 ran. NR: Belfort Ruler. 3l, 3½l. W O'Gorman. Tote: £4.60; £1.50, £3.20, £3.70. DF: £21.50. CSF: £38.99.

4.00 (1m 4f, AW) 1, Admirals Secret (W Woods, 7-2 fav); 2, Beaulete (12-1); 3, Rose Of Glenn (11-2); 4, Glow Forum (33-1). 18 ran. 8l, 2l. C Wall. Tote: £4.60; £2.00, £3.70, £1.50, £11.20. DF: £49.60. Trio: £31.00. CSF: £48.52. Tricast: £228.05.

Jackpot: not won (pool of £4,478.53 carried forward to Leicester today).

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103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 ..... B West (4) 88

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GOING: GOOD TO SOFT, SOFT IN PLACES (8AM PRECAUTIONARY INSPECTION) DRAW: 5F-1M, HIGH NUMBERS BEST SIS

1.00 EBF WILTON MEDIAN AUCTION MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O: £3,560: 5f) (9 runners)

1 (4) 00000 NEBRANGUS 11 (B) (B Rayner) N Bycroft 9-0 ..... A Mackay –
2 (8) 433 NORTHERN GREY 134 (R Lesb) J Berry 9-0 ..... J Carroll 93
3 (7) 6534 SUPER PARK 12 (A Bottomley) M H Easterby 9-0 ..... M Birch 99
4 (3) 2433 LA SUQUET 20 (B Buckley) M Channon 8-9 ..... R Hughes 98
5 (6) 000500 LAWNSWOOD LADY 7 (A Hill) R Hollinshead 8-9 ..... A Garth (5) 72
6 (1) 0 MISS SUZY 10 (H Pickering) J Leigh 8-9 ..... A Culhane –
7 (2) 0 PENNY'S WISHING 10 (K Pennington) J Leigh 8-9 ..... Dean McKeown –
8 (9) 0 TRAVEL OUT 32 (Higher Tregawne Stud) Mrs M Reveley 8-9 ..... K Darley –
9 (5) 420436 YOUDONTSAY 27 (T Nicholls) R Curtis 8-9 ..... J Lowe 69

BETTING: Evens Super Park, 9-2 La Suquet, 5-1 Youdontsay, 6-1 Northern Grey, 8-1 Travel Out, 14-1 Penny's Wishing, 20-1 Lawnswood Lady, Miss Suzy, 25-1 Nebrangus.

1993: RANKAIDADE 8-4 A Garth (5-1) R Hollinshead 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

NORTHERN GREY 3l 3rd of 8 to Onemoreverycolour in claimer at Nottingham (5f, good to firm). SUPER PARK about 2½l 4th of 26 to Maid For Walking in auction race at Redcar (6f, good). LA SUQUET 5¾l 3rd of 19 to Actual Fact in maiden at Haydock (5f, soft). LAWNSWOOD LADY 4¼l 8th of 16 to Tumbleweed Chapel in nursery at Chepstow (6f, good). TRAVEL OUT 11l 11th of 26 to Make Time in seller here (6f, good). YOUDONTSAY about 2¼l 6th of 18 to Sayeh in maiden auction at Folkestone (6f, good to soft).
Selection: SUPER PARK (nap)

1.30 LEVY BOARD NURSERY HANDICAP
(2-Y-O: £4,011: 6f) (21 runners)

1 (20) 040200 MASTER M-E-N 10 (V,F) (Manchester Evening News Ltd) J Berry 9-7 ..... J Carroll 80
2 (7) 00613 PERRYSTON VIEW 20 (V,CD,G) (Mrs J MacPherson) P Calver 9-4 ..... Dale Gibson 80
3 (5) 322102 DURGAMS FIRST 20 (G) (Mrs S Todd) Mrs M Reveley 9-4 ..... K Darley 84
4 (21) 0601 EURO REBEL 10 (D,F) (C Stevens) M H Easterby 9-2 ..... M Birch 88
5 (9) 033055 FINAL SPOOF 7 (M Watson) M Channon 9-2 ..... R Hughes 83
6 (14) 500 MISS IRON HEART 24 (A MacGillivray) D Cosgrove 9-0 ..... M Wigham 85
7 (6) 068016 ABLE SHERIFF 36 (F) (W Kelly) M W Easterby 8-10 ..... C Munday (7) 87
8 (10) 602032 BRANSTON KRISTY 11 (V) (J Starbuck) C Smith 8-10 ..... N Varley (5) 89
9 (11) 434200 BORROWBY 38 (B) (Mrs J Davenport) M W Easterby 8-9 ..... G Hind 89
10 (19) 302800 RED HOT RISK 10 (V,G) (Smith and Allan Oils Club) M Dods 8-9 ..... S Maloney 87
11 (4) 6840 LEHMANS LADY 32 (C Anderson) Mrs M Reveley 8-8 ..... D R McCabe (5) 80
12 (13) 380042 ESTOPPEL 8 (E Watfield) B Hills 8-7 ..... J Weaver 99
13 (12) 0530 CRYSTAL LOOP 19 (R Matthews) A Bailey 8-6 ..... A Mackay 94
14 (17) 006 KITTY WATERJET 123 (V) (L Smith) B Ellison 8-4 ..... C Teague (7) –
15 (15) 0044 REPONIST 21 (V) (G Turnbull Ltd) M Camacho 8-4 ..... L Charnock 92
16 (3) 0000 BROWNLOWS 19 (J Coupland) M Bielby 8-4 ..... S Lanigan (7) –
17 (2) 000 WARRIOR LADY 12 (V) (P McBride) P McBride 8-4 ..... J Stack (5) –
18 (6) 402500 LINDISFARNE LADY 22 (K Mathews Racing) Mrs M Reveley 8-4 ..... Claire Balding (7) 88
19 (18) 630065 FISHY AFFAIR 10 (Pisces Racing Club) T Dyer 8-3 ..... D Wright (5) 92
20 (1) 352500 OHNONOTAGAIN 5 (Mrs M Lingwood) B Murray 7-10 ..... Martin Dwyer (7) 84
21 (16) 660000 GILPA TRINKETS 38 (Miss N Theakston) D Chapman 7-8 ..... J Lowe 80

BETTING: 6-1 Euro Rebel, 7-1 Estoppel, 8-1 Durgams First, Perryston View, Branston Kristy, 10-1 Reponist, Final Spoof, 14-1 Able Sheriff, Borrowby, 16-1 Fishy Affair, Lindisfarne Lady, 20-1 others.

1993: BLURRED IMAGE 9-7 J Reid (7-2) R Hannon 13 ran

FORM FOCUS

PERRYSTOWN VIEW 5l 3rd of 10 to Sue Me in nursery at York (6f, soft). DURGAMS FIRST neck 2nd of 24 to Lucky Magpie in selling nursery at Haydock (6f, soft) with ESTOPPEL (7lb better off) 4¼l 4th. EURO REBEL beat Little Father ½l in 13-runner nursery at Catterick (6f, good to firm). ABLE SHERIFF beat Sunday Mail Too ½l in 16-runner seller at Edinburgh (5f, good to firm) on penultimate start with BRANSTON KRISTY (5lb better off) 11½l 12th. BRANSTON KRISTY 2¾l 2nd of 20 to That Man Again in nursery at Catterick (5f, good to firm). ESTOPPEL neck 2nd of 17 to Zanzibar in rated maiden at Folkestone (6f, firm). REPONIST 5l 4th of 28 to Blackpool Festival in claimer at Redcar (7f, soft).
Selection: DURGAMS FIRST

2.00 BRASS CASTLE CLAIMING STAKES
(£3,176: 1m 3f) (16 runners)

1 (1) 0-16030 SHARAAR 19 (BF,G,S) (A Al Jallah) W Haggas 4-9-7 ..... L Dettori 99
2 (7) 050-000 PIMSBOY 27J (V,F) (Coltex Window Systems Ltd) P Blockley 7-9-3 ..... T Wall –
3 (15) 004004 DOCTOR ROY 29 (F,G) (G Allison) N Bycroft 6-8-13 ..... D Wright (5) 69
4 (10) 0-40200 ALTOBY 82 (A Eardley) E Alston 3-8-11 ..... J Fortune 82
5 (11) 63000-0 FRIENDLY KNIGHT 29 (G Johnston) J Haldane 4-8-11 ..... Dean McKeown 88
6 (4) 028550 MERRY MERMAID 29 (BF,S) (Mrs O Steele) J Bottomley 4-8-10 ..... J Lowe 78
7 (16) 152406 GOODBYE MILLIE 10 (F,G,S) (Lintoscan Ltd) S Norton 4-8-8 ..... S Maloney 91
8 (6) 532160 KING OF THE HORSE 56 (V,G) (A Crook) W Storey 3-8-7 ..... R Havlin (7) 77
9 (5) TRY AGAIN JANE 27J (G Swordy) D Eddy 4-8-5 ..... J Weaver –
10 (9) 356006 BARDIA 29 (F) (E Incisa) E Incisa 4-8-5 ..... Kim Tinkler 74
11 (7) 266000 MANOLETE 22 (B) (C Barber-Lomax) C W C Elsey 3-8-3 ..... N Kennedy –
12 (12) 50-0004 GLENVALLY 11 (Mrs M Lingwood) B Murray 3-8-2 ..... Martin Dwyer (7) 98
13 (2) MISS GREENYARDS (J Blacklock) J Haldane 3-8-0 ..... J Stack (5) –
14 (6) 155050 T D O MAMMA'S 43 (CD,F,G) (R Black) J Berry 3-8-0 ..... L Charnock 86
15 (13) 0- GIMLICK 395 (B Rayner) N Bycroft 3-7-12 ..... N Varley (5) –
16 (14) 005500 MISS FREEBIE 21 (B) (Ms B Hatwell) R Spicer 3-7-10 ..... J O'Reilly 90

BETTING: 5-2 Sharaar, 9-2 Goodbye Millie, 5-1 Glenvally, 10-1 King Of The Horse, T D O Mamma's, 12-1 Doctor Roy, Merry Mermaid, 14-1 Bardia, Manolete, 16-1 Miss Freebie, 20-1 others.

1993: KAGRAM QUEEN 5-8-6 K Fallon (9-4 fav) Mrs M Reveley 11 ran

FORM FOCUS

SHARAAR 6l 3rd of 16 to World Express in handicap at Chepstow (1m 2f, good to soft) on penultimate start. DOCTOR ROY 9¾l 4th of 12 to Marble in claimer at Hamilton (1m 3f, good) with BARDIA (10lb better off) 4l 6th and FRIENDLY KNIGHT (6lb better off) 16¾l 9th. ALTOBY best effort this season when 7l 2nd of 6 to Star Master in maiden at Chester (1m 5f 89yd, good to firm). KING OF THE HORSE best recent effort beat Alpine Johnny head in 8-runner claimer at Wolverhampton (AW, 7f). GLENVALLY about 1¾l 4th of 13 to Peep O Day in apprentices' maiden at Catterick (1m 4f, good to firm).
Selection: SHARAAR

2.30 TELEPROMPTER LIMITED STAKES (£3,784: 1m 2f) (12 runners)

1 (1) 413041 BESCABY BOY 3 (D,F,G,S) (Mrs S Moore) J Wharton 8-9-9 ..... M Birch 87
2 (7) 001314 COOL LUKE 20 (D,F,S) (B Batey) G Moore 5-9-7 ..... M Tebbutt 95
3 (2) 130056 MR DEVIOUS 5 (CD,F,G,S) (Theobalds Stud) C Allen 3-8-6 ..... L Dettori 83
4 (4) 600504 LANGTONIAN 32 (V,G) (R Peebles) J Eyre 5-9-3 ..... J Fortune 50
5 (11) 421523 ALLESCA 19 (D,BF,F,G,S) (G Summers) M Usher 4-8-12 ..... C Adamson (7) 98
6 (12) 400000 BROCTUNE GOLD 27 (S) (Mrs M Thwaites) Mrs M Reveley 3-8-12 ..... K Darley 81
7 (3) 634505 COLLEGE DON 22 (J Coupland) M Bielby 3-8-12 ..... R Cochrane 90
8 (8) 103350 DIPLOMATIST 45 (D,F,S) (M Page) W Jarvis 4-8-12 ..... J Weaver 99
9 (5) 000680 FAIR AND FANCY 17 (R Molton) D Nicholls 3-8-12 ..... Alex Greaves 75
10 (10) 4512-06 PRINCESS TATEUM 144J (CD,B,S) Mrs M McCourt 4-8-12 ..... R Painter (5) 83
11 (9) 000- UCKERBY LAD 313 (T Clarke) N Littmoden 3-8-12 ..... T G McLaughlin (5) –
12 (6) 2350 GLITTER OF GOLD 54 (Skeltools Ltd) S Williams 3-8-7 ..... G Hind 98

BETTING: 4-1 Allesca, 5-1 Cool Luke, Diplomatist, 6-1 Bescaby Boy, Glitter Of Gold, 8-1 Princess Tateum, 12-1 Broctune Gold, Mr Devious, 14-1 College Don, 16-1 others.

1993: PRINCESS TATEUM 3-8-4 R Painter (4-1) M Channon 11 ran

FORM FOCUS

BESCABY BOY beat Kalou 1l in 21-runner claimer at Doncaster (1m 2f 60yd, good to soft). COOL LUKE beat Top Shiel head in 17-runner handicap at Ayr (1m 2f, good to soft) on penultimate start. ALLESCA 1¾l 3rd of 21 to Eurotwist in apprentices' handicap at York (1m 4f, good to soft). DIPLOMATIST best recent effort when short-head and 6l 3rd of 9 to Desert Fighter in handicap at Haydock (1m 2f 120yd, good). GLITTER OF GOLD best effort 7¼l 3rd of 16 to Misty He Ha in maiden at Ripon (1m 2f, good).
Selection: ALLESCA

3.00 CROFTS LEXUS/FAIRBRIDGE CHARITY RATED HANDICAP
(£6,738: 7f) (8 runners)

1 (6) 1-10210 OUR RITA 18 (D,F,G,S) (A Edwards) J Scargill 5-8-0 ..... R Cochrane 90
2 (4) 530202 RANDONNEUR 12 (V,C,F,G,S) (T Scothern) E Weymes 3-8-4 ..... G Hind 99
3 (3) 332000 ABSOLUTE MAGIC 12 (D,F,S) (Mrs B Bassett) W Haggas 4-8-3 ..... B Russell (5) 98
4 (2) 006040 HI NOD 10 (D,F,G) (B Nordan) M Camacho 4-8-0 ..... L Charnock 95
5 (1) 400004 LEIGH CROFTER 7 (B,D,F,G,S) (P Dimmock) P Condell 5-8-0 ..... A Mackay 92
6 (7) 038020 CHAMPAGNE GRANDY 17 (D,G,S) (Gandy Girls) M Channon 4-8-0 ..... J Stack (5) 91
7 (5) 1502 TSHUSICK 19 (D,F) (Bottisham Heath Stud) J Fanshawe 3-7-11 ..... N Varley (5) 91
8 (8) 02606 DON'T ANSWER THAT 12 (P Selby) P Blockley 3-7-11 ..... A Garth (5) 78

Long handicap: Hi Nod 7-13, Leigh Crofter 7-11, Champagne Grandy 7-11, Don't Answer That 7-1.

BETTING: 7-2 Randonneur, 4-1 Our Rita, 5-1 Absolute Magic, Hi Nod, 6-1 Champagne Grandy, Tshusick, 10-1 Leigh Crofter, 20-1 Don't Answer That.

1993: CROFT VALLEY 6-9-7 J Reid (4-1) R Akehurst 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

OUR RITA beat Palace Pageant 2¾l in conditions race at Lingfield (7f 140yd, heavy) on penultimate start. RANDONNEUR 3½l 2nd to Madary in conditions race over course and distance (good) with DON'T ANSWER THAT (9lb better off) 15l 6th. ABSOLUTE MAGIC best recent effort 1½l 2nd of 5 to Sheppard's Cross in handicap at Ayr (7f, good to soft) with HI NOD (1lb better off) 2¾l 4th. LEIGH CROFTER 2¼l 4th of 20 to How's Yer Father in handicap at Chepstow (6f, good). TSHUSICK neck 2nd to Amorist in handicap at Haydock (7f, soft).
Selection: RANDONNEUR

3.30 CAPTAIN COOK CONDITIONS STAKES
(2-Y-O: £3,579: 7f) (8 runners)

1 (5) 402321 BEAUCHAMP JAZZ 20 (S) (E Penser) J Dunlop 9-1 ..... J Weaver 99
2 (3) 214 LAST ROUNDUP 17 (CD,G) (G Reed) C Thornton 9-1 ..... Dean McKeown 86
3 (6) HERE COMES HERBIE (H Hutchinson) W Storey 8-11 ..... J Fortune –
4 (2) 60U004 RED HASSETT 10 (P Selby) P Blockley 8-11 ..... T Wall 83
5 (1) 403 SPANISH DUTY 14 (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 8-11 ..... R Havlin (7) 91
6 (7) 1 PETINDIA 12 (D,G) (J Furlong) J Pearce 8-10 ..... L Dettori 82
7 (8) 350206 BENTEN 11 (V) (J Ranson) C Fairhurst 8-6 ..... D Wright (5) 75
8 (4) 00 BRAFFERTON BELLA 38 (P Nelson) J Jefferson 8-6 ..... L Charnock –

BETTING: 6-4 Beauchamp Jazz, 11-4 Last Roundup, 7-2 Petindia, 5-1 Spanish Duty, 14-1 Red Hassett, 20-1 Benten, 25-1 Brafferton Bella, Here Comes Herbie.

1993: IN LIKE FLYNN 9-1 J Reid (4-7 fav) R Hannon 3 ran

FORM FOCUS

BEAUCHAMP JAZZ beat Forgotten Express 2l in 7-runner maiden auction at York (1m, soft). LAST ROUNDUP 6l 4th of 6 to Sumoquinn in listed race at York (6f, good to soft). RED HASSET 18¾l 4th of 5 to Painted Madam in conditions race at Catterick (5f, good to firm). SPANISH DUTY 1¾l 3rd of 5 to Karayb in conditions race at Leicester (7f, good). PETINDIA beat Sarasi 3l in 30-runner seller at Newmarket (7f, good).
Selection: LAST ROUNDUP

4.00 ELLERBY HANDICAP (£4,057: 1m) (25 runners)

1 (3) 402206 GARNOCK VALLEY 17 (F,S) (R Aird) J Berry 4-10-0 ..... J Carroll 92
2 (10) 181310 PARLIAMENT PIECE 45 (B,C,D,F,G) (G Farndon) Mrs M Reveley 8-9-13 ..... K Darley 91
3 (1) 1-00000 BRAILLE 39 (C,G,S) (Winning Feature Pins) M Meagher 3-9-11 ..... J Weaver 89
4 (25) 110065 GOBSMACKED 20 (D,G,S) (B Haggas) W Haggas 3-9-10 ..... L Dettori 91
5 (20) 20221 CURRENT SPEECH 22 (D,S) (J Hanson) J Hanson 3-9-9 ..... A Culhane 93
6 (24) 506660 SPANISH VERDICT 17 (C,D,F,S) (Cox & Allen Ltd) Denys Smith 7-9-5 ..... C Teague (7) 94
7 (23) 000200 DENSBEN 12 (C,F,G,S) (Mrs J Pike) Denys Smith 10-8-13 ..... N Connorton 99
8 (5) 106000 TRYST 17 (D,F,S) (A Edwards) J Scargill 3-8-12 ..... R Cochrane 98
9 (9) 030000 LUCKY MESSAGE 12 (S) (W Armitage) J Etherington 3-8-12 ..... J Stack (5) 95
10 (15) 063-501 CURIE CRUSADER 206 (D,S) (Three Plus One Racing) M Dods 3-8-11 ..... Dale Gibson 85
11 (2) 048606 SELF EXPRESSION 27 (CD,F,G,S) Mrs J Ramsden 8-8-10 ..... M Wigham 95
12 (21) 005055 SARTIGILA 17 (CD,S) (J Lishman) M Hammond 5-8-5 ..... J Marshall (5) 93
13 (18) 065363 PHASE ONE 15 (Blackfield Racing) J Eyre 4-8-4 ..... J Fortune 92
14 (7) 323-150 SPRING FLYER 24 (B) (Codan Trust Company Ltd) A Bailey 4-8-4 ..... A Mackay 85
15 (13) 250605 NOBBY BARNES 3 (D,F,G) (E Incisa) E Incisa 5-8-3 ..... Kim Tinkler 92
16 (22) 231205 SCARABEN 17 (S) (J Tennant) S Kettlewell 6-8-2 ..... D R McCabe (5) 95
17 (6) 005002 ALABANG 36 (BF) (H Roberts) M Camacho 3-8-2 ..... L Charnock 95
18 (4) 630000 ALPINE SKIER 10 (S) (P Savill) Mrs M Reveley 3-8-1 ..... S Maloney 97
19 (16) 050000 GANT BLEU 17 (C,D,F,G,S) (Mrs J Button) R Whitaker 7-8-1 ..... D Wright (5) 91
20 (11) 086000 GRAND VITESSE 25 (D,F,S) (Mrs J Marshall) R Bastiman 5-8-1 ..... Dean McKeown 94
21 (14) 00-0000 STRAW THATCH 10 (BF,S) (D McKenzie) Mrs J Ramsden 5-8-0 ..... J Fanning 90
22 (8) 624200- BRAXTON BRAGG 408J (H Frew) M Hammond 4-7-9 ..... C Adamson (7) 88
23 (17) 0130P0 DEPUTY TIM 116 (CD,F,G,S) (Mrs P Bastiman) R Bastiman 11-7-8 ..... J Lowe 86
24 (12) 003014 MARY MACBLAIN 36 (D,F) (D Jackson) J L Harris 5-7-7 ..... N Varley (5) 87
25 (19) 00/06-00 COLFAX STARLIGHT 29 (Coltex Windows Ltd) P Blockley 4-7-7 ..... A Garth (5) –

Long handicap: Mary Macblain 7-4, Colfax Starlight 7-2.

BETTING: 8-1 Self Expression, 10-1 Parliament Piece, Garnock Valley, Phase One, Current Speech, Sartigila, 12-1 Gobsmacked, Straw Thatch, 14-1 Nobby Barnes, 16-1 Braille, Mary Macblain, 20-1 others.

1993: SARTIGILA 4-8-4 J Marshall (20-1) M Hammond 14 ran

FORM FOCUS

PARLIAMENT PIECE beat North Esk head in 14-runner claimer at Ripon (1m, good to firm) on penultimate start. CURRENT SPEECH beat Sundio ½l in 17-runner maiden at Pontefract (1m, soft). DENSBEN best recent effort ½l 2nd of 14 to Hameanerrou in handicap here (7f, good) with GANT BLEU (4lb better off) 10¾l 10th. CURIE CRUSADER beat Monkey Boy 1¼l in 9-runner rated maiden at Hamilton (1m 65yd, heavy). SARTIGILA 7¾l 5th of 22 to Master Beveled in handicap at York (1m 1f, good to soft) with SCARABEN 5l 6th and SPANISH VERDICT 2¾l 7th. PHASE ONE 1¾l 3rd of 20 to Fairford in handicap at Leicester (1m, good). ALABANG 4l 2nd of 15 to King Chestnut in maiden handicap at Edinburgh (7f, good to firm). MARY MACBLAIN beat Carlton Express 2¾l in 18-runner maiden handicap at Newcastle (1m, good to firm) on penultimate start.
Selection: *PARLIAMENT PIECE*

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Wins	Rnrs	%	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	%
W Jarvis	6	26	23.1	R Cochrane	8	40	20.0
J Dunlop	8	40	20.0	K Darley	50	264	18.9
M Channon	5	26	19.2	L Dettori	13	71	18.3
J L Harris	4	22	18.2	M Tebbutt	7	49	14.3
B Hills	5	31	16.1	G Hind	11	85	12.9
Mrs M Reveley	50	320	15.6	J Stack	3	24	12.5

LEICESTER

THUNDERER

1.20 Misty Silks. 1.50 Final Appearance. 2.20 Cuango. 2.50 Chilly Lad. 3.20 Happy Hostage. 3.50 *Petomi*. *4.20 Shining Example*.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 1.20 Misty Silks. 2.50 CHILLY LAD (nap). 3.50 Petomi.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE SIS

1.20 ERMINE STREET HANDICAP
(£4,240: 1m 8yd) (18 runners)

101 (12) 0040 AL MOULOUKI 137 (C,D,BF,F,S) J Payne 4-9-10 ..... W Hood 90
102 (10) 05-4 TONY'S MIST 260 (D,G,S) J Bradley 4-9-9 ..... A Procter (5) 86
103 (9) 3310 LEONOVA 18 (D,G) L Cumani 3-9-6 ..... Pat Eddery 95
104 (2) 4550 BENFLEET 6 (CD,G,S) R Armstrong 3-9-5 ..... R Price 95
105 (6) 0030 PRENONAMOSS 10 (D,F,G) D Arbuthnot 6-9-4 ..... J Williams 96
106 (15) 3050 TU OPES 10 (D,F,G) J L Harris 3-9-4 ..... Paul Eddery 94
107 (14) 4062 MISTY SILKS 8 (CD,G,S) M Ryan 4-8-3 ..... A Clark 99
108 (1) 0-50 RAFTERS 14 J Bradley 5-9-3 ..... D Griffiths (5) 93
109 (11) 1205 PHOENIX VENTURE 117 (BF,G) S Woods 3-9-2 ..... W Woods 90
110 (18) 0516 NASHAAT 34 (D,F,G,S) N Waller 6-9-2 ..... J Reid 83
111 (7) 2245 *SWEET TRENTINO 57 (D,F,G) C Smith 3-9-1* ..... *T Ives* 94
112 (16) 2103 ROBBIES RAINBOW 22 (D,F) M Johnston 3-9-0 ..... M Roberts 95
113 (13) 2043 SPENCER'S REVENGE 27 (V,D,G) Lord Huntingdon 5-8-13 ..... D Harrison 97
114 (3) 0000 NORTH ESK 6 (D,F,G) J Pearce 5-8-9 ..... G Bardwell 97
115 (8) 0330 MOROCCO 8 (D,F,S) M Channon 5-8-6 ..... P Robinson 98
116 (17) -505 MARSH ARAB 53 J Arnold 3-8-3 ..... R Hills 87
117 (5) 3000 GREY CHARMER 19 (F,G,S) C James 5-8-2 ..... A McGlone 97
118 (4) 5042 RUNIC SYMBOL 40 M Blanshard 3-7-7 ..... J Quinn 91

6-1 Misty Silks, 7-1 Spencer's Revenge, 8-1 North Esk, Leonova, 9-1 Robbies Rainbow, 10-1 Phoenix Venture, 12-1 Runic Symbol, 14-1 others.

1.50 EBF HOBY MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O: £4,436: 1m 8yd) (17)

201 (13) 0 ARCTIC CHARMER 14 J Dunlop 9-0 ..... W Carson –
202 (8) 0 CROWN MY CHIEF 12 J Banks 9-0 ..... L Newton (5) –
203 (7) 0 ELATION 12 P Cole 9-0 ..... W R Swinburn –
204 (10) 4 FINAL APPEARANCE 28 P Chapple-Hyam 9-0 ..... J Reid 99
205 (2) 00 FUJIYAMA CREST 12 M Stoute 9-0 ..... J Tate (3) 72
206 (3) 02 INQUISITOR 14 J Gosden 9-0 ..... Pat Eddery 89
207 (15) RIYADIAN P Cole 9-0 ..... DOUBTFUL –
208 (12) SHARE THE POWER M Bell 9-0 ..... M Fenton –
209 (1) 0 SMILING THRU 14 H Cecil 9-0 ..... A McGlone –
210 (14) 0 STYLO 12 L Cumani 9-0 ..... C Hodgson (3) –
211 (5) 64 WHAT'S THE VERDICT 14 M Johnston 9-0 ..... M Roberts 84
212 (17) INDIGENOUS H Cecil 8-9 ..... Paul Eddery –
213 (4) 00 LA BRIEF 8 M Ryan 8-9 ..... A Clark 76
214 (9) 0 MELISSA'S BABY 8 R Simpson 8-9 ..... W Woods –
215 (6) 00 SILVER BIRD 8 M Ryan 8-9 ..... D Biggs –
216 (16) SPEED TO LEAD H Cecil 8-9 ..... W Ryan –
217 (11) 0 WESTERN PLOY 15 J L Harris 8-9 ..... R Price –

4-5 Final Appearance, 5-1 Inquisitor, 7-1 Indigenous, Speed To Lead, 10-1 Smiling Thru, What's The Verdict, 12-1 others.

2.20 BARSBY LIMITED STAKES
(3-Y-O: £3,106: 1m 3f 183yd) (12)

301 (8) 2681 CUANGO 7 (D,F,G) R Hollinshead 9-4 ..... W Ryan 99
302 (5) 1405 MR TOWSER 20 (D,G) W Haigh 9-2 ..... J Tate (3) 85
303 (6) 0000 SOZZLED 12 (G) B Hills 9-2 ..... M Hills 86
304 (11) 0200 *ALJAWAB 7 J Dunlop 9-0* ..... Pat Eddery 89
305 (9) 0003 GINGER JIM 26 P Harper 9-0 ..... C Avery 81
306 (12) 3000 PORTOLANO 22 C Williams 9-0 ..... J Quinn 90
307 (10) 3050 SHERIFF 18 (F) J Hills 9-0 ..... R Hills 95
308 (3) 0214 BAHRAIN STAR 11 (V,S) T Mills 8-11 ..... J Reid 86
309 (1) 0346 BIRD OF THE WIND 42 Mrs A Knight 8-9 ..... R Price 75
310 (4) 0233 EXTRA TIME 49 Lord Huntingdon 8-9 ..... D Harrison 98
311 (7) 0000 JADY'S DREAM 27 B Palling 8-9 ..... T Sprake 82
312 (2) 3450 MAHBARAH 15 R Armstrong 8-9 ..... W Carson 97

4-1 Extra Time, 5-1 Cuango, 6-1 Sozzled, 7-1 Bahrain Star, 8-1 Mr Towser, Aljawab, 10-1 Sheriff, 12-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 23 winners from 91 runners, 25.3%; J Gosden, 21 from 84, 25.0%; M Stoute, 18 from 76, 23.7%; M Pipe, 6 from 28, 21.4%; P Walwyn, 6 from 33, 18.2%; J Dunlop, 17 from 94, 18.1%.
JOCKEYS: Pat Eddery, 27 winners from 128 rides, 21.1%; W Carson, 26 from 139, 18.7%; J Reid, 13 from 90, 14.4%; C Hodgson, 4 from 28, 14.3%; M Roberts, 23 from 168, 13.7%.

2.50 CASTLE HANDICAP
(£3,782: 1m 1f 218yd) (19)

401 (7) 1461 SON OF SHARP SHOT 14 (CD,F,G) J Dunlop 4-10-0 ..... Pat Eddery 95
402 (17) 004 LIMITED LIABILITY 27J M Prescott 4-9-10 ..... G Duffield 87
403 (4) 4451 SLMAAT 20 (D,G,S) Mrs M Reveley 3-9-7 ..... T Ives 92
404 (2) 1100 BRILLIANT 26 (D,F,S) J Pearce 6-9-5 ..... G Bardwell 91
405 (1) 0010 BENTICO 8 (B,C,D,BF,F,G) Mrs N Macauley 5-9-4 ..... A Clark 90
406 (10) 0006 SHOOFK 8 (S) S Dow 3-9-2 ..... W Ryan 97
407 (11) 0256 EL BAILADOR 19 (B) J Bethell 3-9-2 ..... W Carson 93
408 (5) 2034 BALLYRANTER 15 (V,F,G) H Collingridge 5-9-0 ..... M Hills 89
409 (16) 0020 BOLD ACRE 15 (S) D Burchell 4-8-12 ..... R Price 96
410 (8) /00 SURE TO WIN 57 (G) J Carr 5-8-11 ..... S Morris –
411 (14) 5631 SKY BURST 21 (S) L Cottrell 4-8-11 ..... N Carlisle 99
412 (9) 0640 MR BROWNING 41 M Campion 3-8-9 ..... M Roberts 87
413 (3) 1583 WENTBRIDGE LAD 22 (B,G,S) B McMahon 4-8-8 ..... S Sanders (5) 91
414 (12) 0420 SOBA UP 20 (D,S) J Etherington 4-8-4 ..... W Woods 96
415 (19) 0405 *CHILLY LAD 6 (B,D,G) M Ryan 3-8-3* ..... *D Biggs* 91
416 (15) 3035 SAINT CIEL 20 (D,F,S) F Jordan 6-8-3 ..... N Adams 93
417 (18) 0000 OUT OF THE MIST 10 J Pickering 3-8-0 ..... R Waterfield (7) 90
418 (6) 6065 WHEELER'S WONDER 88J (G,S) R Hollinshead 5-7-10 ..... J Quinn 91
419 (13) 2550 GOLD DESIRE 19 (D,G,S) M Brittain 4-7-9 ..... Darren Moffatt (5) 96

6-1 Son Of Sharp Shot, 7-1 Chilly Lad, 8-1 Slmaat, 9-1 Shoofk, 10-1 Bentico, 12-1 Limited Liability, Wentbridge Lad, Brilliant, 14-1 others.

3.20 FOSSE WAY CLAIMING STAKES
(3-Y-O: £3,322: 1m 8yd) (20)

501 (19) 2000 PRIVATE FIXTURE 21 (G) D Marks 9-7 ..... P Robinson 84
502 (9) DRAGONFLIGHT D Haydn Jones 9-3 ..... S Drowne (5) –
503 (3) 0613 MR ROUGH 15 (CD,F) D Morris 9-1 ..... T Ives 78
504 (13) 00 DARING RYDE 32 J Smith 8-13 ..... S Webster –
505 (2) 1432 HAPPY HOSTAGE 39 (D,F) M Johnston 8-13 ..... M Roberts 89
506 (17) 0000 CELTIC CEILIDH 4 J Wharton 8-12 ..... J Williams 71
507 (16) 5600 EWAR EMPRESS 6J (B) K Cunningham-Brown 8-12 ..... A Clark 71
508 (11) 0050 DANGEROUS SHADOW 68 (F,S) Mrs M Reveley 8-6 ..... Darren Moffatt (5) 75
509 (12) 1005 NUN-TARA 14 (CD,G) Mrs A Knight 8-5 ..... R Price 79
510 (6) 6000 SCREWBALL ANACONDA 25 (F) C James 8-5 ..... J Quinn 86
511 (15) DOLLY DOLITTLE H Collingridge 8-4 ..... C Hawksley (5) –
512 (14) 4040 SALSKA 22 J Glover 8-4 ..... W Ryan 98
513 (5) 0000 TANDIA 24 (B,CD,F) M Pipe 8-4 ..... A McGlone 99
514 (20) -004 WADADA 154 S Campion 8-3 ..... G Duffield –
515 (18) 0-00 SUZY LLOYD 138 J Dooler 8-2 ..... N Adams –
516 (4) 0 TREMOLANTE 38 Capt J Wilson 8-2 ..... D Harrison –
517 (8) 3265 BUCKLEY BOYS 39 (B) A Bailey 7-12 ..... F Norton 84
518 (1) -000 LITTLE MINER 34 B Palling 7-12 ..... Wendy Jones (7) 81
519 (10) 6600 MRS BIZZYBODY 84 (B) T Naughton 7-12 ..... G Bardwell –
520 (7) 3000 STARICA 6 (B) W Elsey 7-12 ..... P Fessey (7) 72

4-1 Happy Hostage, 5-1 Mr Rough, 6-1 Nun-Tara, 7-1 Buckley Boys, 8-1 Dangerous Shadow, 10-1 Tandia, 12-1 Private Fixture, 14-1 others.

3.50 PYTCHLEY CONDITIONS STAKES
(2-Y-O: £4,832: 7f 9yd) (4)

601 (1) FEISTY BOSS P Cole 8-11 ..... W R Swinburn –
602 (2) 2210 *PIERRE BOSCO 11 (V,D,G) S Woods 8-11* ..... *W Woods* 91
603 (4) 11 PETOMI 10 (D,G,S) M Prescott 8-10 ..... G Duffield 99
604 (3) TWILIGHT HOUR B Hills 8-6 ..... Pat Eddery –

7-4 Petomi, 2-1 Twilight Hour, 3-1 Feisty Boss, 4-1 Pierre Bosco.

4.20 TUGBY MEDIAN AUCTION MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O: £3,192: 5f 218yd) (17)

1 (7) 041 BEN GUNN 11 (F) P Walwyn 9-0 ..... Pat Eddery 99
2 (13) 00 *BLUSHING GRENADIER 27 M F-Godley 9-0* ..... *F Norton* 76
3 (16) 0 CHARLIE SILLETT 26 B Hills 9-0 ..... M Hills 72
4 (17) HEATHYARDS MAGIC R Hollinshead 9-0 ..... W Ryan –
5 (10) 0532 HIMALAYAN BLUE 8 M Channon 9-0 ..... W Woods 89
6 (8) 04 SHINING EXAMPLE 20 P Makin 9-0 ..... R Perham 89
7 (9) 0 ANOTHER BATCHWORTH 22 S Mellor 8-9 ..... M Roberts 83
8 (11) CALL THE LIFEBOAT M Tompkins 8-9 ..... P Robinson –
9 (1) DANNY'S GIFT D Laing 8-9 ..... R Price –
10 (3) 0060 DECOROUS 12 K Cunningham-Brown 8-9 ..... A Clark –
11 (5) 00 DIAMOND BANGLE 7 D Laing 8-9 ..... T Williams –
12 (2) 00 JESSICA'S SECRET 10 A Bailey 8-9 ..... S Whitworth 66
13 (15) 6 MISS LAUGHTER 29 J Hills 8-9 ..... R Hills 85
14 (6) 0 SATERNE LADY 69 P Cole 8-9 ..... C Rutter –
15 (14) 4000 SOMETHING SPEEDY 20 (B) P Bevan 8-9 ..... N Carlisle 75
16 (12) 000 TIGANA 15 Mrs L Jewell 8-9 ..... J Williams –
17 (4) 0 TODAY TONITE 32 J Pearce 8-9 ..... G Bardwell –

9-4 Ben Gunn, 5-1 Shining Example, 7-1 Miss Laughter, Saterne Lady, 8-1 others.

BLINKERED FIRST TIME: Leicester: 3.20 Buckley Boys, Ewar Empress. 3.50 Pierre Bosco. 4.20 Something Speedy. Newton Abbot: 2.10 Olivia Val. Redcar: 1.30 Kitty Waterjet, Master M-E-N, Warrior Lady. 2.00 Miss Freebie.

NEWTON ABBOT

THUNDERER

1.10 Muhtashim. 1.40 Desperate. 2.10 Captain Khedive. 2.40 Purbeck Dove. 3.10 Southampton. 3.40 Change The Act. 4.10 Prize Match.

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1.10 KNOWLES HILL ROAD NOVICES SELLING HURDLE (£2,056: 2m 1f) (16 runners)

1 0-43 BLACK HEDGES 47 R Frost 7-11-0 ..... J Frost
2 0-0 COMEINTOTHELIGHT 8 H Kavanagh 6-11-0 ..... M Brennan
3 P COURTENAY BEE 31 T George 5-11-0 ..... T Jenks (3)
4 006- EARLY STAR 14F K Bishop 5-11-0 ..... R Greene
5 0-04 FEELING FOOLISH 13 B Forsey 5-11-0 ..... D Leahy (3)
6 0/P- IDIOM 249 Mrs J Retter 7-11-0 ..... S Fox (5)
7 P/0 PREDICTABLE 19 Mrs A Knight 8-11-0 ..... S Burrough
8 353- MUHTASHIM 21F J Ffitch-Heyes 4-10-13 ..... A Maguire
9 NIPPER REED 518F R Simpson 4-10-13 ..... D Gallagher
10 03-4 SIRKA 47 (V,BF) M Pipe 4-10-13 ..... R Dunwoody
11 66-P WEST END 7 W G M Turner 4-10-13 ..... T Murphy (7)
12 04/ CHURCH STAR 642 (B) J Bridger 10-10-9 ..... Rachel Bridger (7)
13 0 MEXICAN DANCER 20 P Howling 5-10-9 ..... D O'Sullivan
14 PP- VITAL TYCOON 176 D C Tucker 6-10-9 ..... G Tormey (7)
15 004- FATHER'S JOY 176 B Stevens 4-10-8 ..... W McFarland
16 PUP- NITA'S CHOICE 295 A Newcombe 4-10-8 ..... N Mann

3-1 Sirka, 7-2 Muhtashim, 5-1 Black Hedges, 8-1 Feeling Foolish, 10-1 Early Star, Nipper Reed, 16-1 others.

1.40 BRITISH DENKAVIT NOVICES CHASE
(£3,276: 2m 5f) (9)

1 -231 SYDNEY BARRY 13 (F,G) R Buckler 9-11-7 ..... B Powell
2 PPP- CROSA'S DELIGHT 206P A Jones 7-11-0 ..... S McNeill
3 /1P- DESPERATE 381 (G,S) N Twiston-Davies 6-11-0 ..... C Llewellyn
4 32F0 GUSHY 33 R Baker 8-11-0 ..... S Burrough
5 P0-3 KELLING 21 (S) P Nicholls 7-11-0 ..... R Dunwoody
6 P-P6 SARACEN'S BOY 6 M Churches 6-11-0 ..... Mr J Culloty (7)
7 2F-F WHYFOR 24 S Knight 6-11-0 ..... C Maude
8 30-5 PENLEA LADY 8 Mrs M Jones 7-10-9 ..... G Bradley
9 36- CURRAHEEN VIEW 192 D Gandolfo 5-10-7 ..... M Dwyer

2-1 Sydney Barry, 5-2 Desperate, 9-2 Whyfor, 6-1 Kelling, 12-1 others.

2.10 ALLER PARK NOVICES HURDLE
(£2,495: 2m 1f) (16)

1 -21R CAPTAIN KHEDIVE 26 (BF,F,G) P Hobbs 6-12-0 ..... G McCourt
2 44-1 TOO SHARP 33 (F) Miss H Knight 6-11-9 ..... J Osborne
3 083- ABAVARD 215 (S) A Forte 5-11-7 ..... D Gallagher
4 523- BILLYGOAT GRUFF 208 D Nicholson 5-11-7 ..... A Maguire
5 P0 HOB GREEN 45 R Frost 5-11-7 ..... J Frost
6 0P4- JHAL FREZI 185 A Barrow 6-11-7 ..... B Powell
7 054- PENNYMOOR PRINCE 257 R Frost 5-11-7 ..... R Darke
8 00-0 WISE STATEMENT 31 G Balding 5-11-7 ..... R Davis
9 5 CHALLENGER DU LUC 28 (BF) M Pipe 4-11-6 ..... R Dunwoody
10 F4- GREEN'S FAIR 108F G Ham 4-11-6 ..... C Maude
11 LOCK TIGHT 144F B Stevens 4-11-6 ..... W McFarland
12 D- POLYGAR 158 C Popham 4-11-6 ..... B Murphy (5)
13 OLIVIA VAL 46F (B) A Newcombe 4-11-1 ..... N Mann
14 4PP IN MY LEAGUE 12 L Waring 3-10-5 ..... S Burrough
15 0 THUNDEROUS 10 J Bridger 3-10-5 ..... D O'Sullivan
16 P FOREST SILK 6 Mrs P Duffield 3-10-0 ..... P Holley

6-4 Captain Khedive, 7-2 Too Sharp, 4-1 Challenger Du Luc, 8-1 Billygoat Gruff, 10-1 Abavard, 12-1 Green's Fair, 14-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: J Tuck, 3 winners from 3 runners, 100.0%; S Sherwood, 8 from 16, 50.0%; M Pipe, 88 from 309, 28.5%; P Hobbs, 25 from 98, 25.5%; N T-Davies, 8 from 35, 22.9%; P Nicholls, 12 from 55, 21.8%.
JOCKEYS: G Bradley, 14 winners from 46 rides, 30.4%; G McCourt, 11 from 39, 28.2%; *R Dunwoody, 39 from 141, 27.7%; J Osborne, 12 from 44, 27.3%*; C Llewellyn, 12 from 51, 23.5%.

2.40 TEMPLERS ROAD HANDICAP CHASE
(£3,583: 3m 2f 110yd) (10)

1 -145 SQUIRE JIM 26 (B,CD,F,G) N Twiston-Davies 10-12-0 ..... C Llewellyn
2 232- KIWI VELOCITY 167 (G,S) P Hobbs 7-11-8 ..... G Tormey (7)
3 55/ VICOMPT DE VALMONT 558 (B,G,S) P Nicholls 9-11-4 ..... R Dunwoody
4 52-2 PURBECK DOVE 19 (G) R Alner 9-11-0 ..... A Maguire
5 533- MISS FERN 143 (F,G,S) R Dickin 9-10-13 ..... D Meredith (3)
6 0PP- RED AMBER 188 (B,D,F,S) S Sherwood 8-10-13 ..... J Osborne
7 /P5- TROUT ANGLER 204 (CD,F,G,S) G Balding 13-10-12 ..... G Upton
8 351- SHALCHLO BOY 419 (CD,F,G) P Hobbs 10-10-10 ..... Peter Hobbs
9 2/U- SHAMARPHIL 355 (F,S) K Bishop 8-10-3 ..... R Greene
10 3PP- POP SONG 158 (CD,F,S) G Roe 10-10-0 ..... J Railton

3-1 Squire Jim, 4-1 Shalchlo Boy, 5-1 Kiwi Velocity, 6-1 Purbeck Dove, 8-1 Miss Fern, 10-1 Vicompt De Valmont, 14-1 others.

3.10 SPA TRANS HANDICAP HURDLE
(£2,707: 2m 1f) (16)

1 /4-1 NAIYSARI 21 (CD,S) P Rich 6-11-10 ..... P McDermott
2 122- AAL EL AAL 229 (G,S) P Hobbs 7-11-3 ..... G Tormey (7)
3 02P- SCHWEPPES TONIC 152 (G,S) D Burchell 8-11-2 ..... D J Burchell
4 635- BADRAKHANI 148 (G,S) C Nash 8-11-1 ..... J R Kavanagh
5 21-P CARIBBEAN PRINCE 28 (B,CD,BF,F,G,S) Mrs J Retter 6-10-13 ..... Mr J Culloty (7)
6 125F SOUTHAMPTON 21 (V,D,F,G,S) G Balding 4-10-10 ..... A P McCoy (5)
7 -22P CHARCOAL BURNER 19 (CD,F,S) Mrs J Retter 9-10-10 ..... S Fox (5)
8 1F6- WOLVER GOLD 168 (D,F,G) B Palling 7-10-9 ..... C Maude
9 /FP- SOUTH SANDS 343 (C,D,F,G) A Forte 8-10-8 ..... Mr M Burrows (7)
10 40-0 SOMERSET DANCER 17 (G,S) J Bridger 7-10-8 ..... D O'Sullivan
11 040- NINE O THREE 194 (S) N Ayliffe 5-10-7 ..... Guy Lewis (5)
12 /46 KAYFAAT 57 (G) M Pipe 6-10-3 ..... R Dunwoody
13 40P- ALOSAILI 165 (D,F,G) B Stevens 7-10-0 ..... W McFarland
14 5U23 LUCKY AGAIN 12 (G) C Popham 7-10-0 ..... S McNeill
15 *74/ ALLO GEORGE 510 (C,G) A Newcombe 8-10-0* ..... *N Mann*
16 00-5 GARDA'S GOLD 17 (C,S) R Dickin 11-10-0 ..... D Meredith (3)

4-1 Southampton, 5-1 Aal El Aal, 6-1 Kayfaat, 7-1 Badrakhani, 8-1 Naiysari, Wolver Gold, 10-1 Schweppes Tonic, 12-1 others.

3.40 CLIFFORD STREET HANDICAP CHASE
(£3,453: 2m 5f) (7)

1 3-12 CHANGE THE ACT 17 (F,G,S) O Sherwood 9-12-0 ..... J Osborne
2 *41-1 BOWL OF OATS 21 (B,CD,S) A Turnell 8-11-6* ..... *D Fortt (5)*
3 U22- JAILBREAKER 181 (C,G,S) B Millman 7-11-4 ..... M A Fitzgerald
4 023- LOCKWOOD PRINCE 143 (F,G,S) R Frost 11-11-1 ..... J Frost
5 1222 ALWAYS REMEMBER 19 (CD,F,G) P Hobbs 7-10-9 ..... Peter Hobbs
6 F2-0 FATHER DOWLING 28 (G) G Balding 7-10-7 ..... A Maguire
7 12P- RAMSTAR 204 (S) C Mann 6-10-4 ..... R Dunwoody

5-2 Bowl Of Oats, 3-1 Change The Act, 7-2 Jailbreaker, 4-1 Always Remember, 8-1 Lockwood Prince, 10-1 Ramstar, 14-1 Father Dowling.

4.10 WILLIAM HILL SEVENTH HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,838: 2m 6f) (16)

1 533- SUPER SPELL 238 (S) G Ham 8-11-10 ..... B Powell
2 40/ MUSICAL MONARCH 561 (C,G,S) O Sherwood 8-11-10 ..... J Osborne
3 136- WARFIELD 192 (CD,S) P Nicholls 7-10-13 ..... Guy Lewis (5)
4 F32- KALAKATE 178 J Bridger 9-10-10 ..... D O'Sullivan
5 4-54 PRIZE MATCH 18 (C,S) J Tuck 5-10-10 ..... S McNeill
6 21-4 LOVE YOU MADLY 26 (V,D,F,S) M Pipe 4-10-8 ..... R Dunwoody
7 *F0-4 CROFT MILL 17 (D,G,S) Miss H Knight 8-10-8* ..... *M A Fitzgerald*
8 3-56 UPWARD SURGE 17 K Bailey 4-10-1 ..... N Williamson
9 200- COBB GATE 148 (C,G) B Stevens 6-10-0 ..... W McFarland
10 D6/ CHAMPAGNE RUN 583 (D,F,G) S Knight 9-10-0 ..... V Slattery
11 0-44 RAGTIME BOY 12 (V,BF) C Barwell 6-10-0 ..... A Maguire
12 268- MARINE SOCIETY 176 N Ayliffe 6-10-0 ..... Mr B Pollock (7)
13 /P1 CAPTAIN CHROME 8 (F,G) K Bridgwater 7-10-0 (6ex) ..... D Bridgwater
14 40-0 JOKERS PATCH 21 (D,S) R Baker 7-10-0 ..... D Gallagher
15 003- WHAT A NOBLE 148 C Popham 8-10-0 ..... A P McCoy (5)
16 /00 TRING PARK 47 (F) M Wilkinson 8-10-0 ..... C Llewellyn

9-2 Prize Match, 5-1 Love You Madly, 6-1 Warfield, 7-1 Musical Monarch, 8-1 Kalakate, 10-1 Super Spell, Croft Mill, 12-1 Upward Surge, 14-1 others.

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Confident Walker remains upbeat despite scale of Solheim Cup defeat

Europe's best beaten but unbowed

FROM JOHN HOPKINS
GOLF CORRESPONDENT
IN WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS

IN THE hills of West Virginia, one of golf's *eternal* verities was re-emphasised. The Solheim Cup was a reminder of the blessed virtues of matchplay. It was also a reminder that matchplay in a team context is the most exquisite blend of pleasure and torture imaginable, one that is heightened to an almost unbearable intensity when the team is representing one's own country or continent.

No competition *has come so* far, so fast, as the Solheim Cup, which began in 1990 as a one-sided competition played in front of a few spectators in Florida. *The match that fin*ished on Sunday, when the United States regained the trophy by 13 points to seven, was only the third, yet it was transmitted live on American television and watched by more spectators than attended *any* Ryder Cup *in the United* States before 1987.

The intensity of the competition was such that it was surprising to remember that it was only in 1979 that women's professional golf in Europe took its first faltering steps, nearly 40 years after the LPGA was established in the United States. The WPGA European Tour (WPGAET) has come a long way since *then: by leaps and bounds* since the first Solheim Cup, when the US romped home by 11½ points to 4½.

"It is easy to see the radical *improvement in the European* players' games," Mickey Walker, the European team captain, said. "You can see that by the results. We have so *much talent in Europe* and so much young talent that the improvement we can make in the two years before the next match is enormous."

The 1996 event will be even more like the Ryder Cup, the men's equivalent. Changes agreed last week call for the teams to be increased from ten to 12 players, and for there to be four foursomes and four four-balls on each of the first two days. The third day will be given over to 12 singles matches. Then, the Solheim Cup will differ from the Ryder Cup in only one way — that every player has to play at least once each day.

This is a soft option. It suggests that the competition is more friendly than the Ryder Cup, in which captains are allowed to deploy their troops as they see fit, even if this means not selecting a player until the singles.

JoAnne Carner will probably captain the US team again in 1996 and, barring an enormous upset, Walker will lead Europe for the fourth time. "Mickey's got the job for life if she wants it," Terry Coates, executive director of the WPGAET, said. "Her job is safer than mine."

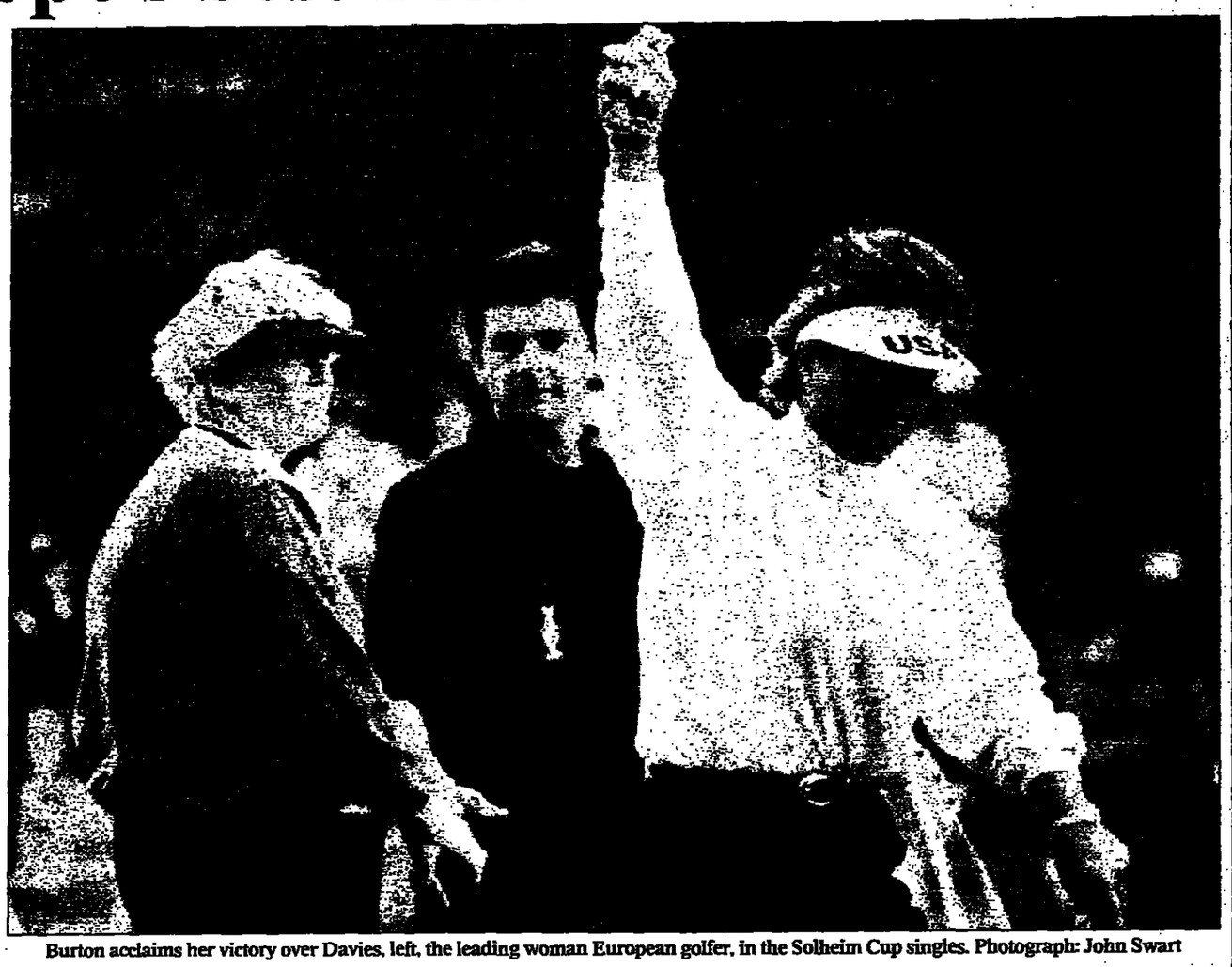
Walker must regret her decision to position Laura *Davies three matches from the* end of the singles at The Greenbrier. Davies was said to have expressed concern privately at being denied the role she *plays so well, that of* leading from the front, which she had done in conjunction with Alison Nicholas in the foursomes and four-balls at Lake Nona in 1990 and *Dalmahoy two years ago, as* well as in the singles in 1992.

Davies had been successful as a spearhead, winning three of the four matches with *Nicholas and her singles* against Brandie Burton in 1992. Situated so far down the order on Sunday, Davies could do nothing to lead her *team-mates as they crumbled* around her.

Once it became clear the Cup had been won by the Americans, Davies's match became academic. It was one point thrown away, but since Davies's victories are arguably worth two points for the nature of her leadership qualities, her defeat was worth two *points as well.*

Placing Davies so low down the order was an act of generosity by Walker, a rare mistake of captaincy, as *Carner acknowledged.* "I think Laura inspires the team," she said. "It has become almost a ritual [that she should play top]. When you move her around it changes *the team atmosphere.*"

Carner's nickname is "Big Momma" because she is a large and motherly figure to her younger charges. She is a *dead ringer for Ethel Merman* in build and looks. There were moments when one expected her to rise and start belting out "There's No Business Like *Show Business*". She certainly took centre stage last week.



Burton acclaims her victory over Davies, left, the leading woman European golfer, in the Solheim Cup singles. Photograph: John Swart

Clark closes final chapter

BY RICHARD EATON

GILL Clark finished a famous badminton career last night at Maidenhead, making one final partnership with Chris Hunt, with whom she reached *the all-England final in March* and won a Commonwealth Games gold medal in August.

This was probably the partnership Clark would herself *have chosen to celebrate the* last of 145 appearances for England, because as well as being a friend, Hunt is arguably the country's most successful *player of 1994. It is,* perhaps, a selection England should have made more often in the six-match series against China.

Hunt's reappearance in the final match along with three other members of England's successful *Commonwealth* Games squad — Joanne Wright, Julie Bradbury and Nick Ponting — strengthened the side and suggested that too *much experimenting with less* experienced players had been *attempted. Six were given first* caps during the series and England arrived at last night's final match 4-1 down when, with their best squad, they *might have kept the series* alive to the end.

Three of those debuts were made at St Austell on Sunday when England's 5-0 defeat cost *them their chance of keeping on terms with the promising* young Chinese team. Clark's record 144th appearance for England came with the relatively inexperienced Julian *Robertson and they were beat*en 15-10, 15-11 by Yang Ming and Yao Jie.

England's best chance of squaring the series had disappeared when *Hunt, not fully* recovered from flu, and Simon Archer surprisingly lost at Bletchley on Friday. The European men's doubles champi*ons went down in straight* games to Yang Ming and Chen Wei, consigning England to a 3-2 defeat.

The brightest moments, however, have been the good performances of two youngsters, Ian Pearson and James *Anderson, on their debuts in* St Austell. They went the distance in the men's doubles with Liu Yong and Yu Jinhao, *suggesting that, with further improvement, they may have* an international future.



Clark: England record

Canadians return home

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

*THE 1994-95 ice hockey sea*son is still in its infancy, but already three leading British League premier division teams have lost or dispensed *with highly rated Canadian* imports.

Nottingham Panthers could not persuade their import, Darren Schwartz, to stay after he announced that his wife could not settle in the city and, due to family illness, he wanted to return home. Bobby Berg is another to have left, returning to the Central Hockey League (CHL) in North America after a spell with Durham Wasps.

However, perhaps the most surprising event last week was the dismissal of Paul Jackson by Sheffield Steelers. Jackson, *with his team-mate, Ron* Handy, was one of the leading scorers in the CHL last season while playing for Wichita Thunder. That talent does not *appear to have travelled well,* hence his departure.

Jackson's dismissal appeared to have stung Handy into action at the weekend and he scored a hat-trick against the British League leaders, Basingstoke Beavers, and a pair of goals as Sheffield beat Cardiff Devils 5-3.

Steve Nemeth, Jackson's replacement, and a crowd favourite at Sheffield Arena since the formation of the

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*Steelers, made his first ap*pearance of the season to an ecstatic welcome and scored his team's first goal late in the first period, before assisting on two others.

While Nottingham and Durham Wasps are each short of one overseas player, it gives the opportunity for their *coaches, both with experience* in the National Hockey League (NHL), to suit up for their teams while replacements are found. Mike Blaisdell, who spent nine years in the NHL, led Panthers to two good weekend wins, beating Cardiff 8-3 at home Humberside Hawks 11-4 away.

The Durham coach, Rocky Saganiuk, inspired his team to consecutive 11-3 wins over Milton Keynes Kings and Edinburgh Racers. Paul Hand, the Racers defender, was dismissed from the game late in the first period for excessive roughness.

Basingstoke maintain their top place with a 7-5 win over Peterborough Pirates following their 6-4 home loss to Sheffield. Bracknell Bees, without a league win so far, confirmed their last place as they lost 11-6 to Whitley Warriors, with Whitley's new signing, Brian Verbeek, *scoring four times on his* debut.

Bray takes first title in fine style

BY SALLY JONES

CHRIS Bray, of Petworth, won his first leading real tennis championship in spectacular style when he beat the former world champion, Wayne Davies, of Australia, in the final of the French Open in Bordeaux.

Bray had already pulled off the biggest upset of the season so far in the semi-final, when he defeated the world champion, Robert Fahey, another Australian, in four sets, but, against Davies, he looked on *the point of defeat when he* trailed 2-4 in the final set. For once, however, Bray kept his nerve and went for his shots, cutting the ball aggressively *into the corners and* taking full advantage when his opponent narrowly missed the winning gallery, perhaps through overeagerness.

The victory gave Bray an overdue boost to his confidence and will provide him with his first tilt at the world title when Fahey defends his championship next year.

RESULTS (Great Britain unless stated): Quarter-finals: R Fahey (Aus) bt P Tebbey (Aus) 5-6, 6-5, 6-2, 6-2; C Bray bt M Devine 6-1, 6-2, 4-6, 6-4; W Davies (Aus) bt J Howell 6-5, 6-0, 4-6, 6-5, J Snow bt M Gooding 6-3, 6-5, 6-2. Semi-finals: Bray bt Fahey 3-6, 6-5, 6-3, 6-0; Davies bt Snow 6-5, 6-2, 6-2. Final: Bray bt Davies 4-6, 6-5, 6-3, 2-6, 6-4.

South Africa lose two key forwards

FRANCOIS Pienaar and Tiaan Strauss, two of their most experienced back-row forwards, will miss the second match of South Africa's visit to Wales (*David Hands writes*). An eye injury to Pienaar and Strauss's bruised ribs prevent their selection *against* Wales A at Newport tomorrow. Anthony Clement has been forced to pull out of the Wales A team with a hamstring injury and he will be replaced at full back by Matthew Back, of Bridgend.

WALES A: M Back (Bridgend); D Manley (Pontypridd), S Lewis (Pontypridd), M Taylor (Pontypool), N Walker (Cardiff), A Davies (Cardiff), P John (Pontypridd, captain); I Buckett (Swansea), G Williams (Neath), L Mustoe (Cardiff), P Arnold (Swansea), D Jones (Cardiff), S Davies (Swansea), S Williams (Neath), R Appleyard (Swansea). Replacements: S Hill (Cardiff), A Williams (Swansea), R Howley (Bridgend), G Taylor (Pontypool), M Griffiths (Cardiff), J Humphries (Cardiff).
SOUTH AFRICANS: G Johnson; J Olivier, J Mulder, M Linee, P Hendriks, H La Pleux, K Putt; P Du Randt, J Dalton, T Laubscher, R Kruger, J Wiese; P Schutte, R Strauss (captain), E van der Bergh. Replacements: J van der Westhuizen, J Stransky, A Joubert, U Schmidt, I Hasingh, G Techmeier.

Adams sails into lead

YACHTING: David Adams, the Australian solo yachtsman aboard *True Blue*, finally pulled ahead of Giovanni Soldini, in *Kodak*, yesterday to take over the lead of the 50ft fleet of BOC Challenge racers on the first stage of *the round-the*-world race, from Charleston to Cape Town. Soldini's yacht had enjoyed a 400-mile lead two weeks ago, but has been slowed by rudder damage. The leaders are separated by 39 miles with 1,300 miles to go to the Cape.

Agassi rules again

TENNIS: In a rematch of the US Open final, Andre Agassi once again beat Michael Stich, of Germany, 7-6, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3 to win the CA Trophy at the Stadthalle in Vienna. For the 24-year-old American, seeded No 3, the victory sealed his return to the top flight in his first tournament since the US Open, six weeks ago, and gave him his sixth victory over Stich, ranked No 3 in the world.

Peugeot plans expected

MOTOR RACING: Peugeot are thought likely to announce a link-up with Eddie Jordan's Formula One racing team today. The French firm has called a press conference to *explain its split from McLaren, a combination that produced* seven top-three places in 14 grands prix during the first year of its newly developed V10 engine. Mercedes will supply McLaren with engines next season.

Challengers meet

BOXING: Sipho Moyo, of Zimbabwe, challenges Henry Wharton, of Yorkshire, for the Commonwealth super-*middleweight title at Leeds town hall tomorrow.* Moyo met Wharton, 26, for the first time yesterday and readily admitted that he knew nothing about his opponent, whose only defeat in 21 bouts was against Nigel Benn. Moyo, 35, has also lost only one bout, out of 11 professional contests.

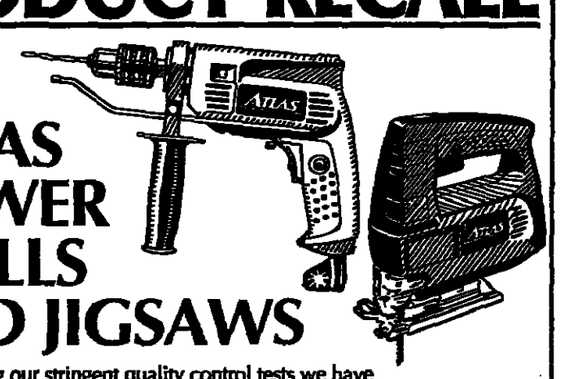
Japan pile up points

RUGBY UNION: Japan, the defending champions, although fielding several reserve players, routed Sri Lanka 67-3 in Knala Lumpur yesterday while Taiwan defeated Malaysia 23-15 in the fourteenth Asian tournament. Eight teams, divided into two groups, are competing in the eight-day tournament with the winner going forward to represent *Asia in next year's World Cup in South Africa.*

Lietzke holds on

GOLF: Bruce Lietzke shot a final round of 65, seven under par, to overcome a strong finish by Robert Gamez and win the 90-hole Las Vegas Invitational tournament by one stroke. Lietzke, 20 years on the circuit, sank a four-foot eagle putt on the par-five 16th hole to take the lead and he finished on 332, 27-under-par. Gamez birdied the last five holes for an impressive 64, eight-under par, to finish runner-up.

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PONTINS LEAGUE: Second division: Grimsby v Leicester (7.0).
AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION: First division: Bristol City v Ipswich.
NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Arnold Town v Ashfield United; Ossett Town v Pickering Town; Stocksbridge P S v Maltby MW. President's Cup: First round; Hatfield Main v Winterton Rangers; Belper Town v Rossington Main.
JEWSON WESSEX LEAGUE: First division: Andover v Cowes Sports; Bemerton Heath Harl v Fleet Town.
HEREWARD SPORTS UNITED COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division: Kempston v Newport Pagnell; Potton v Cogenhoe; Spalding United v Desborough; S and L Corby v Holbeach; Stotfold v Stamford; Wellingborough Town v Wootton.
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ESSEX SENIOR CUP: Second round: Canvey Island v Stanway Rovers; Basildon Utd v Barkingside.
INTERLINK EXPRESS MIDLAND ALLIANCE: Halesowen Harr v West Mid. Police
TNT IRISH GOLD CUP: Final: Glentoran v Crusaders (at Windsor Park).
FA YOUTH CUP: First round: Carlisle United v Sunderland; Exeter City v Plymouth Argyle; Southampton v Reading.

RUGBY UNION

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Club matches
Bleenau Gwent v Pontypool .....
Cambridge Univ v Bedford (7.30) .....
Cross Keys v Swansea .....
Glamorgan Wnds v Newbridge .....
Mountain Ash v Cardiff .....
Oxford Univ v Northampton (7.30) .....

RUGBY LEAGUE

Stones Bitter Championship
First division
Featherstone v Halifax (7.30) .....

Second division
Dewsbury v Swinton (7.30) .....

OTHER SPORT

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Little cause to celebrate as Brazilians add to prize collection



ROB HUGHES
Overseas Football

Now comes the autumn of the United States' World Cup year. The Fifa parliament, as it has lately taken to calling itself, is in town, in New York, picking up the windfalls of unexpectedly high profits before getting down to the nitty-gritty of deciding which continents will pick up the extra places of the expanded World Cup — from 24 to 32 places — in France in 1998.

Before Fifa, the sport's world governing body, gets down to that, there are the awards ceremonies. Fifa will present its Fair Play Trophy to Brazil, as if those Brazilians who so deservedly took the real trophy in July need anything extra. The award is for "their conduct and style in winning the World Cup". Style is beyond dispute, but conduct? One can only hope that the recipient does not turn out to be Leonardo, the full back, whose crushing right elbow fractured the skull of Tab Ramos, of the United States, causing Leonardo to be the first player to be effectively kicked out of a World Cup and leaving Ramos in need of surgery, which his neurologists have only just concluded allows him even to think about resuming his career.

The second gong also goes to a Brazilian, Dr João Havelange, Fifa's septuagenarian president. He is to receive the Brazilian-American Chamber of Commerce award as "Person of the Year".

Havelange has probably the world's largest collection of such awards, but this one comes at the end of the year in which he distinguished himself by stubbornly and single-handedly barring Pelé from the draw ceremony of the World Cup finals themselves.

No award, but plenty of greenbacks, go the way of Alan Rothenberg, the head of the World Cup finals' organising committee, chairman and president of virtually every official body that contributed to 1994. Rothenberg, arguably the greatest insomniac since Margaret Thatcher, without question hauled the World Cup through the initial apathy of the host nation and did it, he always said, for love rather than money. In fact, the typical Californian lawyer, he gambled his time and his future.

He elected, in essence, for a no-win, no-fee situation. He declined the offer of a $350,000 salary, stating that he would accept compensation only if a surplus was produced. The canny Rothenberg produced a surplus in excess of $60 million (£40 million) and, when he went before a compensation board headed by Peter Ueberroth, his old boss at the 1984 Olympics, he came away well satisfied. Rothenberg is to receive $7 million — $4 million as "back pay due" calculated at £800,000-a-year from 1990, and a bonus of $3 million for steering the World Cup to such a net gain.

His three highest executive aids are to share $1.1 million, but Rothenberg's personal handshake is all, bar the percentages, equal to the $7.7 million the remainder of the 418 full-time staff drew in wages. In addition, like every successful sporting event in the United States, there were thousands of goodwill volunteers, people from university professors down to students, who so cheerfully made the World Cup what it was and who, among them, were not granted so much as one free ticket, nor any invitation to the banquets.

But there is still a tricky hurdle for chairman Rothenberg. He is the Commissioner elect for Major League Soccer (MLS), the supposed professional football format that Fifa had stipulated was part of the bargain in taking the finals to the United States.

This league, for which Rothenberg is to be paid $1 million a year, is struggling to gain sponsorship and struggling to attract teams from the whole of the nation. At the last count, seven cities had expressed genuine commitment and the MLS is due to start next April. The whisper around Fifa is that the whole shooting match would benefit from being postponed until 1996.

By then, even Alexi Lalas, the red beard whose personality outshone even Rothenberg, might be ready to be a part of the latest experiment in transplanting the game on a seemingly unwilling American population.

Lalas is the one player who might be able to look the lawyer square in the eyes and talk profit margins. It is anticipated that by the time his season with Padova in Italy is through, he will have completed the leap from college boy to dollar millionaire.

In the meantime, Lalas is riding his fortune among the Italians. He scored last week, against AC Milan, no less. He celebrated by leaping over the perimeter fence, being shown a yellow card, but promised that he had no intentions of being a one-goal wonder. However, his real job is in defence and last Sunday he and Padova returned to form, going down 4-1 in Florence.

That is the American experience: you gamble, some you win and some you lose, or at least you do if you actually play the game.



Leonardo: disgraced

League moves to ease burden on teams in Europe

BY PETER BALL

MANCHESTER United will be able to field whatever team Alex Ferguson chooses without fear of sanctions for their Coca-Cola Cup tie with Newcastle United at St James' Park tomorrow. The Football League yesterday accepted United's explanation for the under-strength teams they selected in the second round against Port Vale.

"We were asked for an explanation and we gave it in writing," Martin Edwards, the United chief executive, said. "This is very good news. As a club we want to have the best chance of winning all the competitions, and that sometimes means that players have to be rested. But you can rest assured we want to win at Newcastle."

With enlightenment breaking out at Lytham St Anne's, the League's board of directors is also recommending that, from next season, clubs playing in European competition should be seeded through to the third round of the Coca-Cola Cup. This would lighten their fixture load by two games, and with the Premier League reducing to 20 teams next season, top clubs would play six fewer games.

"The League is keen to demonstrate its commitment to the welfare of English football, and ... we can give them a better chance of success abroad," David Dent, the League's chief executive, said. That would undoubtedly be a help, particularly for the Premiership champions involved in the European Champions' League.

"If you win the Premiership you should be exempt from the FA Cup until the fourth round and the Coca-Cola Cup until the fourth round, and be given a chance to make progress in Europe," Kevin Keegan, the Newcastle manager, said at the weekend. If the League's recommendation is approved, this would be a step in that direction.

"It would make things a lot easier," Edwards said yesterday. "It would save a lot of fixture congestion in the early part of the season, which is when it is at its worst."

Chelsea have been told by Burnley that they will have to pay £2 million to sign Steve Davis, 25, the central defender.

The decision to exonerate United will be widely welcomed, at least outside the Potteries. The League acknowledged that United's arduous programme left them little alternative, while United also stressed that their record of three final appearances in four years testified to their commitment to the competition.

Ferguson will decide today whether to play as many youngsters against the Premiership leaders as he did against Port Vale. United also have a reserve fixture tomorrow, which may presuade him to play more of the seniors, with Cantona, Bruce and McClair likely to be involved.

Blackburn Rovers were yesterday keeping their own counsel about whether they intend to ask the Football Association to quash Henning Berg's suspension after his sending-off against United on Sunday. The FA, however, has responded hastily.

"We will be getting in touch with the referee for his observations," David Davies, the FA's head of public affairs, said, "but Blackburn are also at liberty to communicate their views and send a video of the incident to the referees' department at Lancaster Gate. We will certainly examine it."

The video evidence, however, is not conclusive. At the Northern Football Writers' awards dinner on Sunday night, there was more agreement with the referee's decision from some distinguished managers than the intemperate criticism of Gerald Ashby, the referee, by the Sky television team would suggest.

After some unhappy experiences against supposedly inferior teams in recent seasons, Liverpool have the chance to show that their recovery is well under way when they entertain Stoke City in a Coca-Cola Cup third-round match tonight. Mansfield Town, the conquerors of Leeds United in the previous round, take on Millwall, who are fresh from an impressive draw against Wolverhampton Wanderers at Molineux on Saturday.

NIGEL FRENCH



Manchester United are likely to call on McClair's experience tomorrow

Ajax imperiously dismiss rivals as revival continues

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

WITH one masterful performance, Ajax confirmed on Sunday that their resurgence this season is gaining yet more momentum. The young side from Amsterdam, with a European Cup Champions' League win over AC Milan already under their belts, dismissed the challenge of PSV Eindhoven, their principal rivals for the Dutch championship, with an imperious display that recalled their heady days of the Seventies. In the process, just for good measure, they took over at the top of the league table.

Ronald de Boer took only seven minutes to open the scoring for Ajax, and only seven minutes more to join Finidi George in creating the second for the midfield player, Edgar Davids. Two minutes later, Clarence Seedorf, still only 17, punished a defensive mix-up to effectively end the game with almost an hour and a quarter left to the play. Peter Van Vossen made it 4-0 at the beginning of the second half with Luc Nilis later claiming a consolation goal for PSV.

Yesterday, the defeat still reverberating around the corridors of the Philips stadium in Eindhoven, the PSV coach, Aad de Mos, who was already under pressure following the club's early elimination from the Uefa Cup, was summoned by club officials on Monday to discuss tactics, although officials denied rumours and reports that De Mos was close to losing his job.

PSV were big spenders before the season began, buying, among others, Nilis, the Belgium striker, and Ronaldo, the Brazilian prodigy. However, they are looking to buy again to bolster their defence, despite the debut against Ajax of the Dutch international full back, Stan Valckx, who was signed from Sporting Lisbon.

In Italy, Parma earned a 2-1 victory over the bottom club, Reggiana, to take over at the top of *Serie A*. They went behind to a goal from the Portuguese forward, Futre, but goals from Baggio and Branca ensured their win. Milan, so disappointing this season, could manage only a goalless draw with Sampdoria at the San Siro.

In Spain, Deportivo La Coruña's Brazilians, Donato and Bebeto, were both on target against Valencia in a 3-1 win, Donato opening the scoring with a seventeenth-minute penalty before Bebeto struck twice in the second half. It was sweet revenge for Deportivo, who narrowly lost out to Barcelona in the title race last season when they were held to a draw in their final league match — by Valencia. Barcelona beat Tenerife 1-0.

Nantes, the only unbeaten side in the French league, settled for a goalless draw at Sochaux while Paris Saint-Germain at last produced some of their remarkable European form on the domestic scene when they came away 4-0 winners from Nice.

Borussia Dortmund went clear in the *Bundesliga* when they beat visiting Bayern Munich 1-0, the goal coming from Riedle, the international forward who was linked with Everton earlier this season, while Werder Bremen dropped a point with a 1-1 draw against Kaiserlautern.

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS

WASHINGTON: Marine Corps Marathon: Men: 1, G Gonzalez (Mex) 2hr 22min 51sec; 2, G Sanders (US) 2:25.06; 3, B Schweirn (US) 2:25.37; 4, G Gough (GB) 2:27.58. Women: 1, S Molloy (US) 2:39.34; 2, C Mottor (US) 2.49'46; 3, K Markland (US) 2:53.

BADMINTON

ST AUSTELL: International match score: England 0 China 5. Individual results (England names first): Men: Singles: A Nielsen lost to C Gang 9-15, 6-15. Doubles: I Pearson and J Anderson lost to L Yong and Y Jinhao 15-8, 9-15, 10-15. Women: Singles: J Mann lost to G Zhichao 2-11, 4-11. Doubles: J Dawes and N Beck lost to L Qi and X Li 13-15, 8-15. Mixed doubles: J Robertson and G Clark lost to Y Ming and Y Jie 10-15, 11-15. Series score: England 1 China 4.

BASKETBALL

BUDWEISER LEAGUE: London 80 (Lewis 19, Scott 17, Mitchell 16) Doncaster 85 (Modzelewski 22, Joseph 21, Fite 20; Chester 82 (Snead 24, Gardner 19, Bannister 18) Thames Valley 100 (Stansbury 27, Bucknall 27, Holley 21). Sheffield 61 (Huggins 20, Finch 15, Gavis 10) Hemel 59 (Koochoi 20, Ojukwu/Grant 9).

FOOTBALL

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION: First division: Millwall 0 Charlton 1.

ARGENTINE LEAGUE: River Plate 1 Belgrano 1; Talleres 0 Velez Sarsfield 3; Racing Club 0 Boca Juniors 0; Huracan 0 Lanus 1; Newell's Old Boys 2 Ferrocarril Oeste 1; Gimnesia de Jujuy 0 San Lorenzo 1; Deportivo Mandiyu 3 Argentinos Juniors 3; Banfield 3 Independiente 0; Deportivo Español 2 Gimnesia y Esgrima 0.

BRAZILIAN LEAGUE: Second stage: Group E: Corinthians 2 Portuguesa 1; Gremio 1 Guarani 2; Paysandu 0 Fluminense 0, Vasco da Gama 5 Internacional 2. Group F: Flamengo 2 Palmeiras 0; Santos 2 Botafogo 0; São Paulo 1 Bahia 1. Relegation play-off: Atletico Mineiro 1 Cruzeiro 0; Bragantino 0 Vitoria 1; Ramo 2 Criciuma 2; Uniao São Joao 1 Nautico 0.

AFRICAN CUP SEMI-FINALS: First leg: Champions' Cup: Zamalek (Egypt) 2 Nkana FC (Zam) 0. Cup Winners' Cup: Mbilinga (Gabon) 1 Kenya Breweries (Kenya) 1; Daring Club Motema Pembe (Zaire) 3 Agaza Omnisport (Togo) 1. Confederation of African Football Cup: El Mourada (Sudan) 0 Primiero Maio (Angola) 0; St Denis (Reunion) 1 Bendel Insurance (Nigeria) 0.

GOLF

LAS VEGAS: Men's tournament: Final scores (US unless stated) 332: B Lietzke 66, 67, 68, 66, 65 333: R Gamez 66, 70, 64, 69, 64. 335: P Mickelson 70, 68, 66, 70, 63; W Andrade 66, 68, 67, 67, 67. 336: P Stankowski 70, 66, 66, 69, 65; B Glasson 67, 68, 70, 65, 66; J Furyk 67, 64, 69, 68, 70. 337: S Murphy 64, 69, 67, 69, 68; S Hoch 66, 69, 70, 70, 66; G Boros 70, 63, 67, 68, 69; K Triplett 69, 65, 65, 68, 70. 338: J D Blake 66, 69, 66, 69, 68; J Gallagher 69, 70, 67, 64, 68. 339: M Brooks 68, 69, 67, 70, 65; M Hennen 66, 68, 68, 71, 66. Others scores: 343: S Rintoul (Aus) 71, 69, 68, 67, 68. 344: B Ogle (Aus) 68, 69, 69, 68, 71. 347: G Norman (Aus) 67, 69, 71, 71, 69. 364: F Allem (SA) 75, 85, 89, 74, 91.

LOS ANGELES: Seniors' tournament: Final scores (US unless stated): 197: J Kiefer 69, 65, 63. 198: D Douglass 70, 67, 61. 201: J Colbert 68, 67, 66. 202: B Smith 71, 68, 63; A Jacklin (GB) 65, 72, 65; B Murphy 68, 69, 65, J Powell 67, 69, 66; K Zarley 68, 68, 66; J Dent 66, 63, 71. Other scores: 205: R Charles (NZ) 69, 68, 68. 207: G Player (SA) 70, 70, 67. 212: S Hobday (Zim) 72, 68, 72.

VOLVO EUROPEAN PGA ORDER OF MERIT: 1, C Montgomerie (GB) £602,918.58; 2, S Ballesteros (Sp) £462,926.29; 3, J M Olazábal (Sp) £453,857.57; 4, B Langer (Ger) £427,483.38; 5, M A Jiménez (Sp) £370,103.22; 6, E Els (SA) £311,849.66; 7, D Gilford (GB) £294,779.45; 8, N Faldo (GB) £293,736.39.

ICE HOCKEY

BRITISH LEAGUE: Premier division: Basingstoke 7 Peterborough 5; Durham 11 Edinburgh 3; Humberside 4 Nottingham 11; Sheffield 5 Cardiff 3; Whitley 11 Bracknell 6. First division: Dumfries 9 Slough 10; Guildford 16 Chelmsford 1; Lee Valley 5 Blackburn 13; Paisley 8 Solihull 8; Teesside 14 Medway 4; Trafford 15 Romford 3.

MODERN PENTATHLON

COBHAM HALL: Men: 1, S Robbie (Seaforths) 5,043pts; 2, P Mitchell (Northumberland) 4,697; 3, A Smale (Seaforths) 4,557. Women: 1, J Allen (Cambridge University) 5,121pts; 2, N Andrews (Seaforths) 4,880; 3, L Willcocks (Oxford University) 4,546. Inter-clubs: 1, Seaforths 14,585pts; 2, Cambridge University 13,504; 3, Oxford University 13,100.

MOTOR SPORT

DES WINKS HONDA STAGES (Yorkshire): 1, A Tough (Escort) 56min 46sec, 2, M Stephens (Escort) 58.48; 3, A Proctor (Ford Sierra) 57.42.

JERSEY HOLIDAY VILLAGE RALLY (Scilly Isles): 1, S Handy (Escort Cosworth) 84.42; 2, C Goodyear (Sierra Cosworth) 87 41; 3, M Slater (Escort) 88.22.

SWINDERBY STAGES (Lincolnshire): 1, P Dobson (Escort Cosworth) 72.18, 2, G Nicholls (Cosworth 4 x 4) 73.24; 3, P Turner (Sierra Cosworth) 75.34.

PYE MOTORS CLASSIC ILLUMINATIONS RALLY (Lancashire): 1, A Senior (Mini Cooper) 33.11; 2, P Loveridge (Mini) 38 51; 3, S Ormrod (Mini Cooper S) 38.08.

SUPERWINCH HILL RALLY (Wales): 1, Ms S Simmonite (Simbuggin) 2:05:30; 2, R Ridley (TMC Special) 2:10'17; 3, G Monaghan (Range Rover) 2'10:57.

RUGBY UNION

KUALA LUMPUR: Asian championship Group A

Japan	87	Sri Lanka	3
Taiwan	23	Malaysia	15

SWALEC CUP: Third round draw (ties to be played Nov 19): St Peter's v Bargoed; Mountain Ash v Llandeilo; Glyncoch v Morriston; Aberystwyth v Old Illtydians, Caerphilly v Trebanos, Pyle v Tredegar Ironsides; Cardiff Institute v Tredegar; Merthyr v Pill Harriers, Carmarthen Quins v Wattstown, Hirwaun v Cwmllynfell; Croesycaillog v Glamorgan Wanderers; Tonzu v Neath Athletic; Amman United v Tonyrefail; Neyland v Ystalyfera; Hartridge HSOB v Ynysybwl, Llandyble v Llanwrtyd Fardre, Tylorstown v Lampeter Town; Garndiffaith v Fleur de Lys; Pwllheli v Pontypool United; Old Penarthians v New Dock Stars; Glynneath v Pontycymmer; Ruthin v Kidwelly; Penygraig v Treherbert, Aberpennny v Blaina; Pentyrch v Resca; Hendy v Aberarow; Rhyl v Llandsant, Aberavon Green Stars v Oakdale, Resolven v Mold; Mumbles/Cardigan v Nelson, Blackwood v Brynmawr; Ystrad Rhondda v Abercarn; Whitland v Ammanford, Aberaman v Rhymney; Tonmawr v Builth Wells, Aberavon Quins v Felinfoel, Seven Sisters v Kenfig Hill; Varaire v Tumble

TENNIS

STOCKHOLM: Men's tournament: First round: M Woodforde (Aus) bt J Sánchez (Sp) 6-2, 6-2; A Volkov (Russ) bt H Skoff (Austria) 6-4, 6-1, A Gaudenzi (It) bt J Izaga (Peru) 6-3, 6-1; D Vacek (Cz) bt C Costa (Sp) 6-3, 6-7, 6-1.

BASINGSTOKE: LTA Autumn satellite tournament (GB unless stated): Men: Second round: R Wassen (Holl) bt L Milligan 6-4, 6-2; A Richardson bt B Cowan 7-5, 6-2; G Bastl (Switz) bt J Fox 7-6, 6-4; G Henderson bt O Morel (Fr) 6-4, 3-6, 6-4; A Pretzsch (Ger) bt D Skoch (Cz) 7-5, 7-6, T Spinks bt C Schaffkes (Ger) 7-6, 6-4, P Hand bt N Gould 7-6, 7-6; P Pala (Cz) bt N Weal 4-6, 6-1, 6-4.

VAUXHALL INDOOR TROPHY: Women: Second round: Tennis World Middlesbrough 1 RFS Hellenstare Sheffield 2, Lakenham Norwich 0 Boston 3; Beechwood St Albans 0 Parklangley Bromley 3; David Lloyd Finchley 0 Clearview Brentwood 3, Surrey Country Club 3 Sutton Junior 0, BBC 2 Puma Gosling 1; Queen's Club 3 Chris Lane Working 0; Middlesex University 0 David Lloyd Eastbourne 3, West Herts Bournemouth 2 Royal Berkshire 1.

VOLLEYBALL

BRAZIL: Women's world championship: Group A: Brazil bt Germany 3-0 (15-5, 15-7, 15-5), S Korea bt Romania 3-0 (15-1, 15-3, 15-7) Group B (at Sao Paulo): Cuba bt Holland 3-0 (15-4, 15-8, 15-10), Azerbaijan bt Peru 3-0 (15-12, 15-13, 15-6), Cuba beat Azerbaijan 3-0 (15-8, 15-9, 15-12), Holland bt Peru 3-0 (15-8, 15-7, 15-5). Group C: China bt Russia 3-0 (15-13, 15-12, 15-3); Ukraine bt Italy 3-2 (15-4, 5-15, 4-15, 15-6, 15-12); Russia beat Italy 3-0 (15-7, 15-9, 15-5), China bt Ukraine 3-1 (15-8, 15-10, 3-15, 15-11) Group D: United States bt Czech Republic 3-0 (15-1, 15-1, 15-1); Japan bt Kenya 3-0 (15-1, 15-3, 15-4); United States bt Japan 3-1 (15-8, 6-15, 15-7, 15-7), Czech Republic bt Kenya 3-0 (15-7, 15-3, 15-0).

YACHTING

BOC CHALLENGE: First leg (from Charleston to Cape Town): Class one: 1, Ecureuil Poitou-Charente 2 (I Autissier, Fr) 35days 8hrs 52mins. Other positions (at 08.00GMT yesterday with miles to Cape Town). Class 1: 2, Hunter's Child (S Pettengill, US) 774 miles: 3, Scala Calberson (C Auguin, Fr) 1,319; 4, Ban Vo (J Provoyeur, SA) 1,330 Class 2: 1, 2, True Blue (D Adams, Aus) 1,301: 2, Kodak (G Soldini, It) 1,340; 3, Jimroda II (N Vaughan, GB) 2,146, 4, Newcastle Australia (A Nebauer, Aus) 2,149; 5, Sky Catcher (N Rowe, GB) 2,615, 6, Cornwall (R Davie, GB) 3,168; 10, Henry Hornblower (H Mitchell, GB) 3,348.

WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 48

NEKTONIC
(a) Swimming, adjective of *nekton*, a collective name for aquatic animals that are able to swim and move about independently, *nein* to swim. "Bennet from the Greek *nektos* swimming, from the Greek *nektos* swimming, Johnson against a Langton reports that when he cautioned Johnson against a particularly dangerous pool near Oxford, the nektonic lexicographer directly swam into it. To attribute this to masochism, rather than recalcitrance, complacency or deafness seems to me far-fetched."

KHLIST
(n) A member of a sect of ascetic Russian Christians, formed in the 17th century, who believed that Christ could be reincarnated in human beings through their sufferings, from the Russian word for a whip.

MINETTE
(n) A low-grade oolitic iron ore found mainly in Luxemburg and Lorraine. "Of these [ores] the chief is the lean but very cheap Lorraine. "Of these [ores] the chief is the lean but very cheap Minette ore of the enormouse deposits of Luxemburg and Lorraine."

HIJRAT
(n) A Muslim holy place or place of pilgrimage, also, as an adjective, *sacred*. From the Arabic *karāmāt* miracles worked by a saint other than a prophet.

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE
1 Qe2 hlQ (1 ... fxg5 2 f6 and White mates or 1 ... Qxg5 2 Qd8+ Kf7 3 Qe7+ Kf8 4 Qxh2 with an easy win) 2 Qe8+ Kg7 3 Qg6+ Kf8 4 Qd6+ Kg8 5 Qd8+ Kg7 6 Qe7+ and White forces mate in a few moves.

POOLS FORECAST

Coupon No, fixture, forecast

Saturday October 29 unless stated

FA PREMIERSHIP

1	Coventry v Man City	X
2	Everton v Arsenal	2
3	Ipswich v Liverpool	2
4	Leicester v C Palace	X
5	Man Utd v Newcastle	1
6	Notts F v Blackburn	2
7	QPR v Aston Villa	2
8	Shelf Wed v Chelsea	1
9	South'pton v Leeds	1
10	Tottenham v West Ham	X

Not on coupons: Wimbledon v Norwich (Sunday)

FIRST DIVISION

11	Bolton v Watford	1
12	Bristol C v Portsmouth	2
13	Burnley v Notts Co	1
14	Luton v Barnsley	1
15	Middlesbro v Swindon	1
16	*Millwall v Sheff Utd*	*2*
17	Southend v Grimsby	1
18	Sunderland v Oldham	1

Not on coupons: Derby v Charlton; Stoke v Wolves (Sunday), Tranmere v Port Vale, West Brom v Reading

SECOND DIVISION

19	Birmingham v Bristol R	1
20	Brighton v Rotherham	1
21	Cambridge v Brentford	2
22	Hudd'field v Bourn'mth	1
23	Hull v Crewe	X
24	Leyton O v Stockport	X
25	Oxford v Shrewsbury	1
26	Plymouth v Blackpool	2
27	Swansea v Peterboro	X
28	Wycombe v York	1

Not on coupons: Bradford City v Cardiff (Sunday), Chester v Wrexham (Sun)

THIRD DIVISION

29	*Barnet v Chesterfield*	*1*
30	Doncaster v Torquay	1
31	Fulham v Carlisle	2
32	Gillingham v Darlington	X
33	Hereford v Lincoln	X
34	Preston v Exeter	1
35	Rochdale v Mansfield	2
36	Scarboro v North'pton	2
37	*Scunthorpe v H'pool*	*1*
38	Walsall v Bury	1
39	Wigan v Colchester	X

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

40	Crawley v Burton	1
41	Rushden v Gloucester	X
42	Trowbridge v Hal'owen	X
43	Worcester v VS Rugby	1

SCOTTISH PREMIER

44	Aberdeen v Dundee U	1
45	Hibernian v Hearts	1
46	Moth'well v Kil'nock	1
47	Partick v Falkirk	X

Not on coupons: Celtic v Rangers (Sunday)

SCOTTISH FIRST

48	Airdrie v Hamilton	1
49	Ayr v Stranraer	2
50	Clydebank v St Mirren	2
51	Dundee v St Johnst'ne	1
52	Raith v Dunfermline	2

SCOTTISH SECOND

53	Brechin v East Fife	2
54	G Morton v Dumbarton	1
55	O of South v Berwick	X
56	Stenh'muir v Meadowbank	1
57	Stirling v Clyde	1

SCOTTISH THIRD

58	Albion v Queens Pk	2

Not on coupons: Caledonian v Ross; Cowdenbeath v Montrose, East Stirling v Alloa, Forfar v Arbroath

TREBLE CHANCE (home teams): Coventry, Leicester, Tottenham, Hull, Swansea, Gillingham, Hereford, Wigan, Rushden, Trowbridge, Partick, Queen of the South.
BEST DRAWS: Coventry, Leicester, Swansea, Gillingham, Wigan.
AWAYS: Arsenal, Liverpool, Portsmouth, Blackpool, Northampton.
HOMES: Southampton, Burnley, Luton, Southend, Birmingham, Wycombe, Barnet, Preston, Worcester, Motherwell, Airdrie, Stenhousemuir.
FIXED ODDS: Homes: Southampton, Burnley, Luton, Birmingham, Preston. Aways: Portsmouth, Blackpool, Northampton. Draws: Leicester, Swansea, Wigan.

☐ Vince Wright

☐ *Vince Wright forecast 11 home wins out of 12 last Saturday*

THE TIMES

Two-for-one offer of African adventure

FLIGHTS to African destinations unspoiled by mass tourism and holidays in Egypt and Kenya bring a touch of adventure to week four in our series of two-for-one travel offers.

From cruising on the Nile to shopping in the fetish market at Lomé, the capital of Togo, the giant continent of Africa offers the opportunity of a break in a distant and exciting destination at little more than the cost of a package holiday much closer to home.

If you choose Lomé, make sure you try the local food as well as the excellent French cuisine served in the more expensive restaurants. Soups based on maize, palm nuts and peanuts are a speciality and meat, poultry and seafoods are plentiful and well prepared.

Lilongwe, the capital of Malawi, is a modern city set in a rich agricultural region close to the Kasungu National Park – a vast area teeming with wildlife including lions, cheetahs and leopards.

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Prices from:		Flight availability
Lomé (capital of Togo)	£843	Nov 1 – Dec 9, Jan 16 – Mar 31 '95
Accra (capital of Ghana)	£919	Nov 1 – Dec 9, Jan 16 – Mar 31 '95
Lilongwe (capital of Malawi)	£899	Nov 1 – Nov 30, Feb 1 – Mar 31 '95
Dar-Es-Salam (capital of Tanzania)	£918	Nov 1 – Nov 30, Feb 1 – Mar 31 '95

All flights from Heathrow via Amsterdam. Flights are available from other UK airports; prices on application. UK taxes of £10 per person not included. All flights subject to availability and must be booked by November 30, 1994. Return tickets have maximum three-month validity.

TWO-FOR-ONE FLIGHT AND HOTEL PRICES

Prices for seven days from:	
Luxor – Isis Hotel (four stars) BB	£579
Luxor – Nile cruise (five stars) FB	£879
Sharm el Sheikh – Tropicana (three stars) BB	£649
Sharm el Sheikh – Ghazala Hotel (four stars) BB	£729
Nuweiba – Coral Hilton Resort (five stars) HB	£898
Kenya – Club Hotel Seahorse (three stars) (includes soft drinks, watersports and two-day safari) FB	£1,180
Kenya – Club Hotel Seahorse FB	£959

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Gymnast breaking new ground with help of erstwhile sibling rival

Sisters unite to meet special needs

Sally Jones reports on the achievements of a double act undeterred by Down's Syndrome


MICHAEL POWELL

Susan, left, who has been winning medals in special needs and mainstream events, coached by her sister, Judith

The sisters who have become the most extraordinary double act in gymnastics achieved yet another first when they competed together in a high-class field at the prestigious Yorkshire Rose team championship at Wetherby. Judith Pipes, 18, and her elder sister, Susan, 20, plus their teammate, Nicola Brown, took gold at the event earlier this month. Judith recorded the highest scores on the vault and the floor, but it was Susan's floor routine, the third best of the competition, that earned the biggest and most emotional ovation of the night.

For Susan, simply taking part is little short of miraculous. She is the only handicapped gymnast competing in mainstream open competition. She was born with Down's Syndrome and as a child suffered from the poor muscle tone and restricted physical ability associated with the condition. When Judith began to walk and talk, Susan became so frustrated at being unable to keep up with her sister that her hair fell out.

When Judith started training at a Hull gymnastics club, aged 7, Susan became particularly irritable and insisted on joining in, although as her mother, Elin, recalls, nobody believed that she would ever achieve even the simplest of moves.

"It was all a case of Susan wanting to do everything that Judith did," Elin said. "When Susan was born two years after our son, we were absolutely devastated that she had Down's Syndrome and we went to a paediatrician to ask what we should do for the best. He said: 'Have another baby as soon as possible because having a child either side of Susan will bring her on a treat.' How right he was.

"When they first started gymnastics, Susan had such physical problems we never thought she'd cope with the apparatus. Even on the lowest beam she was terrified and clung to the coaches, really hating it, but gradually Judith brought her on, helping and encouraging the whole time, and the two of them have never looked back."

Gymnastics became such a passion for both youngsters that they persuaded their parents to convert the living-room into a training area, complete with low beam four inches off the floor. Although Judith became a talented competitor herself, winning scores of local and regional events, she soon decided that coaching was her real love and she concentrated on bringing on her sister, who began to excel in special needs competitions.

"I suppose I was about 11 when I realised my heart wasn't in competing full-time myself," Judith said. "Then, when Susan started to do well, it made all the hard work worthwhile. It was quite tough sometimes, motivating her when she was tired or didn't want to try a new move and she'd say, 'I won't because I'm older than you'. But we persevered and I'd often break down a move into its component parts and get her to do it a little bit at a time, so that it wasn't until she came to put the whole thing together that she realised she'd just done what had seemed impossible.

"I suppose our proudest moment came in 1990, when she won the national special needs championship for the first time. Susan and I were sitting together on the floor waiting for the results and I'd worked out before anyone else that she'd done it. I just burst into tears and howled my eyes out, it meant so much to all of us."

Susan's first important international title came at the Special Olympics in Leicester five years ago, when she took gold on the high beam, the only gymnast to attempt the routine at this level rather than just above the floor.

At the Special Olympics last year, in Sheffield, she took gold in both the compulsory and voluntary floor routines and won overall silver, before achieving another milestone when she and Judith gave a joint display, the first time a special needs gymnast and a mainstream competitor had performed together. "Susan had done a great compulsory floor routine in the competition," Judith recalled, "probably the best she'd ever done, and a wonderful reward for all the hours she'd spent practising it — sometimes as much as eight or ten hours a day.

"Then we did our demonstration together and when we looked at the crowd as we finished, we couldn't believe it. Everyone had their hankies out and red eyes, they were crying like babies.

"Susan has got a great rapport with the crowd. She's a terrific showman and when she wins she beams like a rising sun. Another very proud moment was when she took the bronze medal on the floor in the mainstream Yorkshire Rose individual championship earlier this year, beating more than a dozen able-bodied gymnasts, the first time she had ever done that.

"Gymnastics has transformed her life. Being a success gave her so much confidence and helped her to concentrate better at school and at her training centre, as well as making her incredibly strong and fit."

> 'On the lowest beam she was terrified and clung to the coaches, hating it'

Judith, a packer at a local chocolate factory, has received national recognition for her work with Susan and scores of other youngsters at the Hull Special Olympics Gymnastics Club, which she and her mother started five years ago. She looks likely to be invited to the World Games in the United States next year as one of the Great Britain coaches and both she and Susan are already trying to raise the £1,200 it will cost them in travel and accommodation expenses.

Susan grins hugely and waves her hands as she talks of her victories, the words coming haltingly, but full of feeling. "I do well on the floor because I stretch a lot — my arms and legs. I go on the high beam. I love gymnastics, it's fun. When I win I give everyone a hug and a kiss." Then she dashes off to practise the faster sprint she is learning to give her vault extra impetus, pausing only to demonstrate a moonwalk in imitation of her hero, Michael Jackson.

Famous four returning to run rule over England

FROM MICHAEL HENDERSON IN PERTH

IF YOU offer verbal hostages to fortune before the first ball of a Test series has been bowled, particularly an Ashes series, and even more particularly if you are far from home, you should expect to be discomfited. Fortune invariably exacts a price that is always more expensive than the speaker had in mind.

When asked for his thoughts on Keith Fletcher's observations that Devon Malcolm was almost as fast as Jeff Thomson in his pomp, Dennis Lillee poured scorned on the idea. Thomson would not be drawn, noting that Malcolm was "a bit erratic". Greg Chappell, a third member of the famous foursome who will play against England, today preferred to say that when there is no cricket in the early part of a tour, tongues tend to wag more loosely.

Rod Marsh, the fourth man, pretended he was there just to have a drink with his old mates. Lillee would have none of it. "Tell them about the pie-throwers," he jested. "What about those pie-throwers? I'll be watching you tomorrow, mate, when Malcolm is bowling and I'll be laughing."

In his brilliant collection of occasional pieces, published earlier this month, Alan Bennett noted that when Barry Humphries was on stage even the band members joined in the laughter — the professionals paying tribute to the pro. Whichever order you put them in, Lillee, Thomson, Chappell and Marsh represent the high-water mark of Australian cricket in the past 30 years.

Among them they have 304 Test caps, Lillee captured 355 wickets, more than any other Australian bowler, and Marsh was responsible for the same number of dismissals, more than any other wicketkeeper. Thomson bowled faster than anyone else, alive or dead. Chappell, who could probably have broken most batting records, if not all, finished with 24 centuries and an average of 53. The boys in the band would certainly rise to applaud those achievements.

They were all gracious in their comments on England, as great cricketers usually are. Chappell thought the touring party had brought "the right type of attack" with them. Thomson said everyone in Australia wanted to see an evenly fought series. Lillee detected the firm hand of Raymond Illingworth in selection. Marsh said, apart from Gooch and Gatting, he would not recognise the England players if he fell over them.

Malcolm, Lillee agreed, was indeed fast but not as often as an outstanding Test bowler should be. "Thommo bowled at 90 miles an hour every ball and was clocked at 99.98mph. Malcolm is more like one in six or one in ten because he falls away in his action and loses pace."

Chappell, recalling how Thomson once hit the sightscreen first bounce, said that at his fastest, between 1974 and 1976, Thomson was "three or four yards faster than anyone I have ever seen or faced". Fletcher faced him too, of course. Perhaps he has simply forgotten.

It is easy to overlook that these great players are only just senior to Gooch, who is 41. Chappell wondered whether Gooch could last a full Australian summer. It will be hot, and days in the field will be *difficult. He is still a good* enough batsman to make hundreds in Test cricket but only if he summons up the mental energy to keep going. It comes only sporadically when you get past 40.


Marsh, Lillee, Thomson and Greg Chappell are coming out of retirement to play in the festival match today

Zimbabwe denied by stubborn Ranatunga

SANJEEWA Ranatunga hit his second century in successive Test matches as Sri Lanka thwarted Zimbabwe's hopes of their first victory in Test cricket in Bulawayo yesterday.

Beginning the final day on 30 for two and still 214 runs short of avoiding an innings defeat, Sri Lanka defended stubbornly, losing only two more wickets while adding 163 runs in the day.

Ranatunga, who scored his maiden Test century in the opening match of the series last week, reached exactly 100 off the final delivery of the match. His 352-ball innings included 15 boundaries and lasted two minutes over seven hours. Sri Lanka closed on 193 for four.

It was a disappointing end for Zimbabwe, who are without a win in nine Tests, after scoring 462 for nine in their first innings and then dismissing Sri Lanka cheaply.

Yesterday, however, they picked up only one wicket in the first two sessions, that of the nightwatchman, Kumar Dharmasena. By the time Aravinda de Silva fell after tea, a draw was assured.

SCOREBOARD

ZIMBABWE: First Innings 462 for 9 dec (D L Houghton 266, A Flower 50; U C J Vass 4 for 85)

SRI LANKA: First Innings 218 (A P Gurusinha 63, H D P K Dharmasena 54)

Second Innings

R S Mahanama c A Flower b Streak	4
A P Gurusinha c James b Jarvis	10
S Ranatunga not out	100
H D P K Dharmasena c James b Whittall	18
P A de Silva b Peall	27
H P Tillekeratne not out	15
Extras (b 5, lb 6, nb 4, w 4)	19
Total (4 wkts)	193

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-30, 3-80, 4-184.

BOWLING: Streak 14-4-28-1; Rennie 21-10-39-0 (nb 3, w 2); Whittall 17-7-29-1 (nb 1, w 2); Jarvis 24-14-24-1, Peall 26-10-43-1; G W Flower 5-2-13-0, Dekker 6-3-5-0; Campbell 2-1-1-0

Langer denies South Africa

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

AUSTRALIA beat South Africa by three wickets with two balls to spare in a thrilling finish to the triangular series one-day international in Peshawar yesterday.

Needing 252 to win, Australia were left to make seven runs an over in the last four overs, but Justin Langer steered them to victory with an unbeaten 33.

Although Australia lost their first wicket on 38, when Mark Taylor was caught at the wicket off Fannie de Villiers for 17, they recovered through Michael Slater and Mark Waugh, who shared a stand of 67 for the second wicket.

Waugh made 43, with a six off Tim Shaw and three fours. For the fourth wicket, David Boon added 67 with Michael Bevan before being run out. Boon made 39 in 43 balls, with four fours.

Bevan later put on 37 with Langer to take Australia to 223 in the 46th over and in sight of the target. But, from the first ball of the 47th, he was caught by Shaw off de Villiers. Langer, however, continued to bat with a flourish.

South Africa, having won the toss and decided to bat, had a disastrous start, losing their captain, Kepler Wessels, in the third over. They recovered with an 85-run stand between Hansie Cronje and Gary Kirsten.

Cronje progressed to his fourth half-century in five matches in the series, striking Tim May, the off spinner, for two fours and two sixes. With Daryll Cullinan, he shared a valuable stand of 65 in 11 overs for the third wicket, 13 runs coming off one over from Shane Warne. Cullinan hit the leg spinner high over mid-wicket for six.

Jonty Rhodes survived ten deliveries before holing out to Taylor at cover off Jo Angel, but Cronje continued to play with authority, taking South Africa past 200 in the 42nd over.

Though they lost two wickets with the score on 207, Cronje remained to guide his side to a respectable total and reach his second century in one-day internationals. Hefaced 125 balls and hit four fours and three sixes, his innings earning him the man-of-the-match award. The series continues tomorrow at Gujranwala, where Australia play Pakistan.

SOUTH AFRICA	
*K C Wessels c Bevan b McDermott	4
G Kirsten b McGrath	45
W J Cronje not out	100
D J Cullinan b Warne	36
J N Rhodes c Taylor b Angel	3
†D J Richardson c Slater b Waugh	25
D M Crookes lbw b McGrath	0
E O Simons not out	10
Extras (b 12, lb 9, nb 4, w 3)	28
Total (6 wkts)	251

C R Matthews, T G Shaw and P S de Villiers did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-7, 2-92, 3-157, 4-167, 5-207, 6-207.

BOWLING: McDermott 9-0-48-1; Angel 10-1-37-1; McGrath 10-2-22-2; Waugh 6-0-39-1; May 5-0-33-0; Warne 10-0-51-1.

AUSTRALIA	
*M A Taylor c Richardson b de Villiers	17
M J Slater run out	54
M E Waugh c Rhodes b Shaw	43
D C Boon run out	39
M G Bevan c Shaw b de Villiers	45
J L Langer not out	33
S K Warne run out	13
J Angel b Matthews	0
C J McDermott not out	1
Extras (lb 5, w 2)	7
Total (7 wkts, in 49.4 overs)	252

T B A May and G D McGrath did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-38, 2-105, 3-119, 4-186, 5-223, 6-239, 7-251.

BOWLING: de Villiers 10-2-48-2; Matthews 9.4-1-43-1; Simons 8-0-46-0; Cronje 10-0-46-0; Shaw 10-0-49-1; Crookes 2-0-14-0.

Man of the match: W J Cronje (South Africa)

Umpires: Mohammad Nazir Jr and Shakeel Khan.

Match referee: J Reid (New Zealand).

	P	W	L	Pts
Australia	5	4	1	8
Pakistan	4	3	1	6
South Africa	5	0	5	0

Chromatic innovation

Between the Ears. *Radio 3, 10.05pm.*

It is helpful, though not essential, if you come to Adrian Jack's new radiophonic commission knowing what makes a chromatic scale differ from a diatonic. Jack extracts what he needs from four centuries of chromatic-friendly music, from Cipriano de Rore's 17th-century "Calami sonum ferentes" to Judy Garland's 20th-century singing of "I'm Always Chasing Rainbows", and insinuates spoken-word passages into it. More than that, he weaves into the tapestry some of his own works including "Snakes and Ladders". Have I made *Chromatic Fantasy* sound like a puzzle? It is that, all right. It is also a rewarding 40 minutes' worth of innovative radio.

***Classic FM Evening Concert.** 8.00pm.*

When I listen to Tchaikovsky's fourth symphony tonight, I must stop thinking about Claude Rains's phantom of the opera bringing down the giant chandelier. That is the curse of classical music when it is used as film music. It is the same with Rachmaninov's second piano concerto. I cannot hear it without thinking of Celia Johnson and Trevor Howard just managing to avoid adultery. And how I wish I could banish the ugly images of *A Clockwork Orange* from my mind whenever I hear Beethoven's No 9. Tonight's concert consists of recordings by the Philharmonia. They include Kabalevsky's *The Comedians* which, fortunately, has nothing to do with Graham Greene, Alec Guinness, and Haiti.

Peter Davalle

RADIO 1

FM Stereo: 5.00am Bruno Brookes with the Early Breakfast Show 8.30 Steve Wright in the Morning 12.00 Simon Mayo 12.00 Emma Freud: Today's guest is Harry Connick Jr., including at 12.30-12.45pm Newsbeat 2.00 Mark Goodier, including at 3.45 Superjunt Doubleway and Beyond 4.00 Chris Tarrant with Difficult, "including at 5.30-5.45 Newsbeat 7.00 Evening Session 9.00 The Story of Pop: King Giggs' Alan Freeman kisses on and Heroes 10.00 Mark Radcliffe 12.00-1.00am Jo Whiley.

RADIO 2

FM Stereo: 3.00am Alex Lester 6.00 Sarah Kennedy 8.15 Pause for Thought 7.30 Wake Up to Wogan 9.15 Pause for Thought 9.30 Ken Bruce 11.30 Jimmy Young 2.00pm Gloria Hunniford 3.30 Ed Stewart 5.05 Paul Heiney 7.00 England, Their England: Leslie Phillips narrates the final episode of a six-part adaptation of A.G. MacDonell's classic comedy 7.30 Hayes Over Britain: a report on domestic violence. Phone 071-388 0222, lines open from 6pm 9.00 The Perfect Fiddle: a history of the Stradivarius violin 10.00 Galpeo Chronicles: Cy Grant presents the last in the series 10.30 The Jamesons 12.00am Charles Nove with Night Ride 3.00 Alex Lester.

RADIO 5 LIVE

5.00am Morning Reports 6.00 The Breakfast Programme, including at 6.55 and 7.55 Racing Preview 8.35 The Magazine, including at 10.35 Elevenses 11.15 Dirty News 12.00 Midday with Mair, including at 12.34pm Moneycheck 2.05 Rascoe on Five 4.00 John Inverdale Nationwide 7.00 News Extra, including at 7.20 sport 7.35 The Tuesday Match: third round of the Coca-Cola Cup 10.05 News Talk 11.00 Night Extra, including at 11.45 The Financial World Tonight 12.05am After Hours 2.00-5.00 Up All Night.

WORLD SERVICE

All times GMT: 4.00am BBC English 4.45 Politikmagazin 5.08 Newshour 6.00 Mittagsmagazin 6.30 Europa Today 7.00 News 7.15 Off the Shelf: Escape from Siberia 7.30 New Ideas 7.50 Among My Souvenirs 8.00 News 8.10 World of Faith 8.15 Concert Hall 9.00 News 9.05 Business Report 9.45 Sharp Tidings 9.50 On Sojourn 9.45 Sports Roundup 10.00 News 10.01 Discovery 10.30 A Tapestry of Sounds 10.45 Mittagsmagazin 11.00 Newsdesk 11.30 BBC English 11.45 Mittagsmagazin 12.00 News 12.10pm Words of Faith 12.15 Jukebox Hit List 12.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 Newshour 2.00 News 2.05 Outlook 2.30 Off the Shelf 2.45 Compulsive Journeys 3.00 News 3.15 A Jolly Good Show 4.00 News 4.15 BBC English 4.30 Heute Aktuell 5.00 News 5.05 Business Report 5.15 BBC English 6.00 Newsdesk 6.30 Heute Aktuell 7.00 Kaleidoscope 8.00 News 8.10 Words of Faith 8.15 The World Today 8.30 Europe Today 9.00 Newshour 10.00 News 10.05 Business Report 10.15 Megamix 10.45 Sport 11.00 Newsdesk 11.30 Outlook 12.00 News 12.10 News 12.15am Concert Hall 1.00 News 1.05 Outlook 1.30 Turkey 1.45 Country Style 2.00 Newsdesk 2.30 Andy Kershaw's World of Music 3.00 News 3.15 Sport 3.30 Discovery 4.00 Newsdesk.

CLASSIC FM

5.00am Nick Bailey 9.00 Henry Kelly 12.00 Sheherazade - Simons 2.00pm Lobodimir Concerto 3.00 Jamie Crick 6.00 Classic Reports 7.00 The Opera Guide 8.00 Evening Concert: See Choice 10.00 Michael Maippin 1.00am Robert Booth.

VIRGIN

6.00am Russ 'n' Jono 9.00 Richard Skinner 12.00 Graham Dene 4.00pm Wendy Lloyd 7.00 Nick Abbot 10.00 N.I. Williams 2.00-6.00am Paul Coyle.

RADIO 3

6.55am Weather 7.00 On Air, with Andrew McGregor. Debus (A Song before Sunset); Corelli (Trio Sonata, in D op 3 No 12); 7.32 Oriental Collection: Haydn (String Quartet in F op 2 No 4); Ibert (Hommage à Mozart); Beethoven (32 Variations in C minor, WoO 80); Dvořák (Symphonic Variations, Op 78) 9.00 Composer of the Week: Weber: Overture and March, Turandot (Philharmonia); Piano Sonata in D minor, Op 49 (Julian Jacobson); Ines de Castro (Yvonne Kenny, soprano; Philharmonia); Horn Concertino in E minor, Op 45) 10.00 Musical Encounters: Artist of the Week: John Barbirolli conducts Strauss (Waltzes, Der Rosenkavalier; Halle Orchestra); Schubert (Sonata in A flat, D557; Andras Schiff, piano); Britten (Nocturnal after John Dowland, Op 70; Craig Ogden, guitar); Bennett (Trumpet Concerto; Martin Winter); Mahler (Adagietto, Symphony No 5; New Philharmonia under John Barbirolli); Berlioz (La Montagnard exilé); Biber (Sonatas: No 9 in B flat; No 11 in A); Brahms (Academic Festival Overture, Op 80) 12.00 Music Restored: Cantus Colln performs a programme of German music (r) 1.00pm The BBC Orchestras: BBC Philharmonic under Sergiu Comissiona performs Berlioz (Overture, Benvenuto Cellini); Prokofiev (Piano Concerto No 3: Leif Ove Andsnes); Tchaikovsky (Symphony No 4 in F minor) 2.30 New London Chamber Choir under James Wood. Le Jeune (Deus moulins; Ah! tu me fais; Tel se plaint; Chanidor; Si Pierre reyde des fleurs); Mesclaun (Cinq rechants); Poulenc (Un soir de neige); Telemitsu (Wind Horse); Xenakis (Serment) 3.55 Ulster Orchestra: Rossini (Overture, Othello); Spohr (Violin Concerto No 8 in A minor; Elizabeth Wallfisch); Schubert (Symphony No 4 in C minor, Tragic) 5.00 The Missile Machine 5.15 In Tune, including Handel (When his loud voice in thunder spoke, Jephtha); 5.28 Grieg (Piano Concerto in A minor); 7.03 Elgar, arr Martin (Imperial March) 7.30 Deutsche Romantik: LSO Gala Concert: Live from the Barbican Hall, London. Sir Georg Solti conducts Brahms (Violin Concerto in D: Itzhek Perlman). 8.10 The Harmonies of Nature. William Vaughan discusses Philipp Otto Runge's paintings. 8.30 Brahms (Symphony No 1 in C minor) 9.35 The Road to Volokolamsk: Hugh Ronison narrates *A Wood near Moscow*, by Heiner Müller 10.05 Between the Ears: See Choice 10.45 Night Waves: First night reviews of *August*, Julian Mitchell's adaptation of *Uncle Vanya* 11.30-12.30am The BBC Orchestras: BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra performs d'Albert (Piano Concerto No 2 in E: Piers Lane); Beethoven (Symphony No 7 in A)

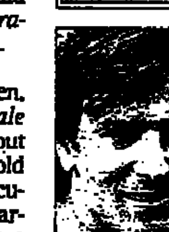
RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing; Weather 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 News 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.58 Weather 9.00 News 9.05 Call Nick Ross: 071-580 4444 from 9am 10.00 News; Hack on the Cut (FM only): Dylan Winter and his faithful horse, Molly, continue their canal journey (2/5) 10.00 Daily Service (LW only) 10.15 Children's Radio 4: The Spying Game (LW only): Second of a five-part story by Pat Moon 10.30 Woman's Hour, introduced by Janet Murray 11.30 All in the Mind: Professor Anthony Clare on changing sex 12.00 News; You and Yours, with John Howard 12.25pm Word of Mouth: How the French are playing hard with *le hamburger*; plus the wittiest person in Britain. 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One, with Nick Clarke. 1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast 2.00 News; Thirty Minute Theatre: In Conversation with Madonna. A comic love story by Julie Rutherford. Life is totally confusing for Shirley as she receives conflicting advice from two very different icons. With Julie Riley, Paula Tilbrook and Lorelei King 2.30 Richard Baker Compares Notes: To mark the centenary of the birth of the English composer E.J. Moeran on December 31, Richard Baker discusses his life and works. 3.00 News; Anderson Country: Gerry Anderson with listeners' views and opinions 4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope: Includes reviews of the new P.D. James thriller, *Original Sin* 4.45 Short Story: Toeca, by Isabel Allende. Read by Sandra Berkin 5.00 PM 5.55 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock News 6.30 A Perfect Spy: Fifth of an eight-part adaptation of John le Carré's story. With James Fox (r) 7.00 News 7.05 The Archers 7.20 File on 4: Julian O'Halloran reports 8.00 Science Now, presented by Peter Evans (r) 8.30 In Living Colour: Juliet Alexander celebrates today's opening of Liverpool's Transatlantic Slave Gallery 9.00 In Touch: Peter White presents the magazine for people with a visual handicap 9.30 Kaleidoscope (r) 9.55 Weather 10.00 The World Tonight 10.45 Book at Bedtime: Los Angeles Without a Map, by Richard Rayner. Sheila Prendergast reads the fifth part of Richard Rayner's novel 11.00 Medlumwave (r) 11.30 Sentimental Journey (FM only): The writer John McVicar returns to his former cell in the high-security wing of HM Prison Leicester (r) 11.30 Today in Parliament (LW only) 12.00-12.43am News, incl 12.27 Weather 12.33 Shipping Forecast 12.43 As World Service (LW only)

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Boys will be lads and will be left behind

REVIEW



Matthew Bond

From the boy-child's perspective, last night's viewing was right up there with King Herod on an off day: If the girls (yuk!) don't get you, the sweeties almost certainly will. That, anyway, seemed to be the double-barrelled conclusion of the unfortunately scheduled and unfortunately titled documentary offerings from **Panorama** (BBC 1) and **Cutting Edge** (Channel 4).

Unfortunately scheduled in that these fascinating films overlapped and unfortunately titled in that anyone handy with the VHS (let's face it, one of the few things boy-children are still good at) could settle down to watch *The Future is Female* followed by *Open Wide*. Cue much adolescent giggling.

Sorry, but it was that sort of evening. Us chaps, it seems, are giggling, smirking and generally distracting ourselves into history. "What do you think of boys who work hard?" asked *Panorama* reporter Mike Embley. "They're not really boys," replied an obliging, male six-year-old. It was no better at 16. "The lads just think, ah we can muddle through," said a worried looking sixth-former at a Humberside college apparently over-run with high-rolling girls. Nor was it a problem his contemporaries in the rugby team seemed inclined to tackle. "It's not a macho thing to work," said one, from the relative sanctuary of a single-sex changing room. Cue much laddish nodding of agreement.

Boys are falling behind girls at virtually every level of education was the programme's working hypothesis and it came up with strong supporting evidence. For the first time, girls were doing better than boys at A-level and at GCSE. More worryingly, at least for someone who'd just discovered that it might only have been positive discrimination that got him through the 11-plus, sisters were outperforming brothers even at primary schools. "It is clear many boys never catch up," said friend Embley — bright *Panorama* reporters presumably apart.

Gripping it may have been, but *The Future is Female* was far from without faults. Its style raised all the old arguments about scripted documentaries — ask enough six-year-olds what they think about boys who work hard and you're bound to find one with the answer that fits your contention. The rest can be discarded — or kept for the follow-up: *The Boys Fight Back*.

Nor did the commentary fight shy of cliché. Preconceptions were swept away, textbooks rewritten and sex wars declared. "Even in the board room," it unconvincingly intoned, "the best jobs may no longer be for the boys."

Cruelly, the programme left boy-children everywhere without even hope. Based on the research of a male professor at the University of Southern Illinois, it suggested that the gender gap is there at birth. Analysing the brain waves of week-old babies, the professor concluded: "The brain waves in females at birth seem to be a little more mature. It seems that boys are actually born with a disadvantage." His wife, who is also a professor at Southern Illinois and conducts similar research using intelligence tests, agreed wholeheartedly — but wondered what had taken her husband so long.

By the end of all this there were no prizes for guessing the owner of the ghastly, gappy, rotten teeth that got *Open Wide* off to such an unedifying start. Sure enough, they belonged (or they did until part two, when they were spectacularly all removed) to a four-year-old boy. Unwrapping sweets is one talent that comes early.

Ros Franey's film started where last week's gruesome *Inside Story* on plastic surgery left off. "Today is the day you've all been waiting for," the lecturer told a group of dental students at the Royal London Hospital, "pig's head surgery day." Sadly, he was right.

"The purpose of today's exercise," he pronounced, "is to get a feel of the instruments, to feel yourself cutting through gum, to feel the scalpel cutting down to bone." This disadvantaged boy-child felt a lie-down coming on.

Thankfully Franey largely spared the scalpel from then on, although there were still moments, particularly during the removal of poor Jordan's teeth, when I found myself in need of something stronger than pink mouthwash. She also spared the hatchet that many believe the dental profession is long overdue for. Whatever her original intentions, Franey produced a very sympathetic film, won over perhaps by an engaging bunch of students.

The profession's perceived excesses were hinted at rather than attacked. "After four years you could be earning a maximum amount of money," said one aspirant tooth-puller, already counting the noughts. Maximum, it turned out was £45,000 a year — more with private patients.

As part of their education, a bow-tied Dr Besford (kipper ties dangle in the germs) took two students along to his private clinic, where he traditionally opens a bottle of champagne to celebrate a new set of dentures. But even before righteous indignation could get up a decent head of steam, his patient — a nurse who had been working nights for years to avoid day-to-day contact with the dentally-endowed — threw her arms round him in tearful gratitude. It was a heart-stopping, hatchet-stopping moment.

But there were also memorable moments of humour. What were the problems of a dental plate, the demure and modest Salima asked her young woman patient? "When I was younger it was bit of a worry when you had a boyfriend and they put their tongues in your mouth. Would they feel it?" The pause that followed could have filled a mouthful of cavities. Cue the adolescent giggles.

BBC1

6.00 Business Breakfast (36767)

7.00 BBC Breakfast News (34287477)

9.05 Kilroy. Robert Kilroy-Silk chairs a studio discussion on a topical subject (2297598)

10.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (1989816) **10.05 Good Morning with Anne and Nick.** Magazine series presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. Includes at **11.00 News**, regional news and weather (s) (15171187)

12.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (1938380) **12.05 Pebble Mill** introduced by Gloria Hunniford (s) (3342293) **12.55 Regional News** and weather (26919851)

1.00 One O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (47212)

1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (89421496) **1.50 Mary Berry's Ultimate Cakes** (s) (66163187)

2.05 FILM: The Outcast (1954) starring John Derek. Western drama set in 1880s Colorado. Directed by William Witney (4820212)

3.30 The Little Polar Bear (s) (3398629) **3.35 William's Wish Wellingtons** (s) (8243570) **3.40 Fireman Sam** (7798485) **3.50 Chuckievision** (r) (s) (2771941) **4.10 The New Yogi Bear Show** (r) (7464564) **4.20 Spacevets** (s) (9042800) **4.35 Fan TC** with Dannii Minogue and Toby Anstis. (Ceefax) (s) (9405309)

5.00 Newsround (8898019) **5.10 Byker Grove.** (Ceefax) (s) (5838670)

5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (674941)

6.00 Six O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (670)

6.30 Regional News Magazines (922). **Northern Ireland:** Neighbours

7.00 Hi-De-Hi. Holiday camp comedy set in 1959 (r). (Ceefax) (s) (2090). **Wales:** Six of One

7.30 EastEnders. (Ceefax) (s) (106)

8.00 A Question of Sport presented by David Coleman. Bill Beaumont and Ian Botham are joined by Colin Jackson, Andy Townsend, Phil Tufnell and Lisa Lomas. (Ceefax) (8038)

8.30 Natural Neighbours. Series on the relationship between people and animals (7545)

9.00 Nine O'Clock News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (5545)

9.30 CHOICE **Against All Odds: Snatched.** (Ceefax) (717380). **Wales:** Week In Week Out 10.00 Against All Odds 10.55 Omnibus 11.45-1.15am The Deliberate Stranger



Pulp Fiction's **Quentin Tarantino (10.25pm)**

10.25 Omnibus: Quentin Tarantino – Hollywood's Boy Wonder. A documentary about the Californian film director's career. (Ceefax) (s) (969941). **Northern Ireland:** On Air 11.05 Omnibus 12.00-1.40am Ring of Scorpio

11.20 The Deliberate Stranger. The second and final part of the dramatisation of the hunt for the American serial killer, Ted Bundy (r). (Ceefax) (s) (134583)

12.50am Weather (7398688)

2.45-3.15 BBC Select: Executive Business Channel. Scrambled (75201) **3.30-4.00 RCN Nursing Update** (r) (44959)

BBC2

7.00 The Adventures of Buzzy Bee and Friends (r) (6744125) **7.05 Poddington Peas** (r) (6743496) **7.10 Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles** (r) (Ceefax) (7836090) **7.30 Blue Peter** (r). (Ceefax) (s) (25090)

8.00 Breakfast News. (Ceefax and signing) (3390564)

8.15 Westminster Daily (5790477)

9.00 Daytime on Two. Educational programmes. Plus, for children, **10.00-10.25** Playdays (r) (s) (2416125)

2.00 Christopher Crocodile (r) (44644922) **2.05 Spot** (r) (44643293)

2.10 How The West Was Lost. Series on the fight by native Americans to protect their territory (2198545)

3.00 News (Ceefax) and weather followed by **Westminster Live** (7962670) **3.50 News** (Ceefax) and weather (7693831)

4.00 Today's the Day. Recent history quiz (835)

4.30 First Sight: Biting the Bullet. A discussion on the pros and cons of arming the police (r) (449). **Wales:** Week In Week Out; **East:** Matter of Fact; **Midlands:** Midland Report; **North, North East, North West:** Close Up North; **South:** Southern Eye; **South West:** Close Up; **West:** Close Up West

5.00 Esther. Why it is difficult to leave a violent relationship (9516)

5.30 Catchword. Word game (699)

6.00 All in the Mind. Quiz show (212)

6.30 Heartbreak High. Drama series set in a Sydney high school. (Ceefax) (s) (207125)

7.15 Cartoon (764699)

7.30 NEW **Open Space: Champs or Cheats?** Prof Ellis Cashmore argues that drug use should be permitted in sport. (Ceefax) (748)

8.00 CHOICE **Picture This: You're Better Off Without Me.** (Ceefax) (s) (9380)

8.30 Raymond's Blanc Mange. (Ceefax) (s) (5187

9.00 Takin' Over the Asylum. Episode five of the six-part drama. (Ceefax) (s) (467632)

9.50 Will's World. Prue Leith explores Elizabethan cuisine. (Ceefax) (s) (120187)



John Thomson and Mark Williams (10.00pm)

10.00 The Fast Show. Comedy sketch series. (Ceefax) (s) (71632)

10.30 Newsnight. (Ceefax) (460800)

11.15 The Late Show. Arts and media magazine (s) (709629) **11.55 Weather** (886309)

12.00 FILM: Three Women In Love (1989) starring Johannes Herrschmann as a young philosopher whose life is taken over by three women. Directed by Rudolph Thome (8961713). Ends at **1.25am**

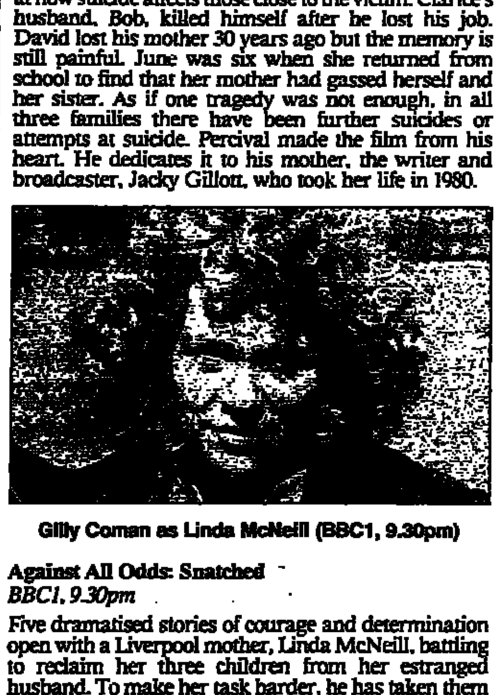
2.00-4.00 Night School: Personal, Health and Social Education (r) (65591)

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CHOICE

Picture This: You're Better Off Without Me
BBC2, 8.00pm

People take their own lives in Britain at the rate of one every two hours, a statistic which is bleak and meaningless unless applied to individual cases. Daniel Percival's inevitably sombre but compelling film looks at how suicide affects those close to the victim. Clarice's husband, Bob, killed himself after he lost his job. David lost his mother 30 years ago but the memory is still painful. June was six when she returned from school to find that her mother had gassed herself and her sister. As if one tragedy was not enough, in all three families there have been further suicides or attempts at suicide. Percival made the film from his heart. He dedicates it to his mother, the writer and broadcaster, Jacky Gillott, who took her life in 1980.



Gilly Coman as Linda McNeill (BBC1, 9.30pm)

Against All Odds: Snatched
BBC1, 9.30pm

Five dramatised stories of courage and determination open with a Liverpool mother, Linda McNeill, battling to reclaim her three children from her estranged husband. To make her task harder, he has taken them to the Turkish part of Cyprus which is not recognised by the British Government. There follows an ingenious plan to take the children from under their father's nose and get them back across the border. The real Linda McNeill narrates and she is played in the reconstruction by a reasonable lookalike, Gilly Coman. If Linda is the heroine, almost everyone else comes out badly. The former husband is violent, the lawyers are useless and the *Sunday Express* journalist called in to help is concerned only with his deadlines.

Without Walls
Channel 4, 9.00pm

The idiosyncratic arts series returns with Garry Bushell of *The Sun* lamenting the demise of Alf Garnett. Bushell claims that Alf was killed off by middle-class political correctness. But was not Alf a racist, a misogynist and a xenophobe? Yes, says Bushell, but he made 20 million people laugh. Since Johnny Speight created Alf to expose rather than endorse popular bigotry, Bushell seems to be on shaky ground. But he has an ally in the writer Paul Johnson, who calls Alf "a fount of working-class wisdom". *Without Walls* also features a spoof late night arts show in which a Sarah Dunant lookalike interviews Lucrezia Borgia while the excesses of Renaissance Italy are replicated behind the cameras. The idea is good, the treatment laboured.

Alan Bleasdale Presents: Pleasure
Channel 4, 10.00pm

Christopher Hood's play, the last in the series by writers new to television, is a tale of passion, betrayal and revenge inspired by a quotation from Raymond Chandler. But this is hardly a Chandler subject, not least because the setting and mood are French. Adrian Dunbar plays Gustav, a thief and con-man who places a lonely hearts ad for female company. Bored by her dull husband, the sexually-charged Emma (Jennifer Ehle) is happy to oblige. The scenario, which switches between Rouen and Paris, also features a police hunt for a masked robber. The piece is not without its obscurities but it is stylishly photographed and infused with quirky humour.

Peter Waymark

CARLTON

6.00am GMTV (45370835) **8.40 Parkin's in . . .** (3545800)

9.25 Supermarket Sweep (s) (9535903) **9.55 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (2493274)

10.00 The Time . . . The Place (1978038)

10.35 This Morning (99049274) **12.20pm London Today** (Teletext) and weather (1934564)

12.30 ITN Lunchtime News (Teletext) (8828187)

12.55 Emmerdale (r). (Teletext) (8836106)

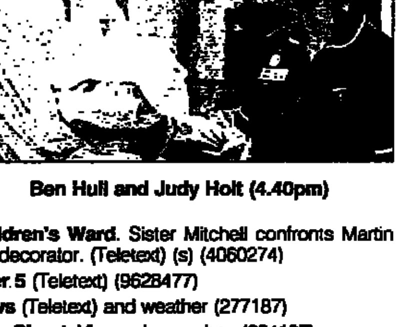
1.25 Home and Away (Teletext) (81091477)

1.55 Vanessa. Vanessa Feltz chairs a discussion on a topic of interest to women (s) (14563403)

2.25 A Country Practice (s) (53091496) **2.50 The Young Doctors** (1307496)

3.20 ITN News headlines (6776125) **3.25 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (6775496)

3.30 Children's ITV: Gigglish Allsorts (s) (4593835) **3.40 Tots TV** (s) (9493813) **3.50 The Raggy Dolls** (s) (4597651) **4.05 Cartoon.** Road Runner (r) (7469019) **4.15 Hurricanes** (s) (6268458)



Ben Hull and Judy Holt (4.40pm)

4.40 Children's Ward. Sister Mitchell confronts Martin the decorator. (Teletext) (s) (4060274)

5.10 After 5 (Teletext) (9628477)

5.40 News (Teletext) and weather (277187)

5.55 Your Shout. Viewers's soapbox (624187)

6.00 Home and Away (r) (Teletext) (598)

6.30 London Tonight (Teletext) (390)

7.00 Emmerdale. Kim plans a lunch party for the local hunt. (Teletext) (4458)

7.30 Everyday Lives. The final programme in a series on people with disabilities follows partially-hearing Daniel as he sets off on his first day at school. (Teletext) (274)

8.00 The Bill: Land of the Blind. A young lad is accused of assault, although McCann believes he is innocent. (Teletext) (3106)

8.30 Strike It Lucky (Teletext) (s) (5941)

9.00 Soldier, Soldier: Proud Man. Friendly rivalry erupts between the King's Own Fusiliers and a visiting American platoon. (Teletext) (s) (1926)

10.00 News at Ten (Teletext) and weather (75458) **10.30 London Tonight** (Teletext) (708390)

10.40 Network First: Nicholas and Alexandra — Annointed by God. Prince Michael of Kent presents the second programme on the last Tsar and Tsarina of Russia. (Teletext) (923274)

11.40 Carlton Sport. Highlights of tonight's third-round Coca-Cola Cup matches (163125)

12.40am Prisoner: Cell Block H (2586572)

1.40 FILM: Quatermass and the Pit (1967) starring Andrew Keir. An alien spaceship is unearthed during the building of an extension to the London Underground system. Directed by Roy Ward Baker (616794)

3.30 Sport AM with Bob Symonds (52201)

4.30 Beyond Reality. Supernatural tales (96775)

5.00 Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (r) (53572)

5.30 ITN Morning News (69084). Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.35am King Arthur and the Knights of Justice Animated adventures (r) (7962545)

7.00 The Big Breakfast (37835)

9.00 You Bet Your Life (r) (85835)

9.30 Schools: Eureka! (8237187) **9.45** Stop, Look, Listen (8258670) **10.00** Fourways Farm (1996106) **10.10** Maths Everywhere (2820293) **10.25** How We Used to Live (5266545) **10.48** Mathsbook (5871699) **11.00** Science in Focus (3873496) **11.22** Stage One (4720361) **11.38** Schools at Work (8656854) **11.45** First Edition (3960293) (s)

12.00 House to House. Maya Even presents the political magazine (45629)

12.30pm Sesame Street with Mel Gibson (54670)

1.30 Trumpton Followed by **Little Brrm** (21125)

2.00 FILM: Thursday's Child (1988). Fact-based drama starring Rob Lowe as a teenager in need of a heart transplant. With Gena Rowlands and Don Murray. Directed by David Lowell Rich (Teletext) (269767)

3.45 Foofur. Cartoon (4503212)

4.00 Scotland's Larder. The last programme in the series looks at the more traditional methods of preserving food (Teletext) (903)

4.30 Fifteen to One (Teletext) (s) (187)

5.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show: Giving Families a New Look. The American chat show hostess offers her guests the opportunity to transform the appearance of their parents and grandparents. (Teletext) (s) (5472380)

5.50 Terrytoons. Cartoon capers (647038)

6.00 Batman. Penguin is up to his old tricks. (Teletext) (380)

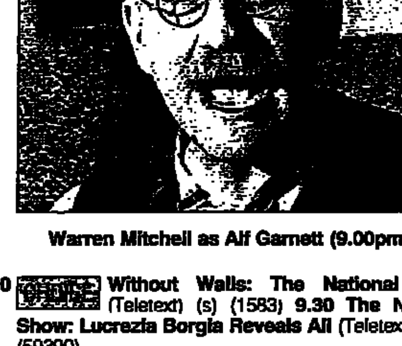
6.30 Gamesmaster. News of the latest computer games (s) (632)

7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) and weather (185564)

7.50 Belfast Lessons (358212)

8.00 NEW **Ride On.** Muriel Gray and Sean Langan report on plans to use the Criminal Justice Bill to silence road protesters. (Teletext) (s) (1748)

8.30 Brookside (Teletext) (s) (3583)



Warren Mitchell as Alf Garnett (9.00pm)

9.00 CHOICE **Without Walls: The National Alf** (Teletext) (s) (1583) **9.30 The Night Show: Lucrezia Borgia Reveals All** (Teletext) (s) (59390)

10.00 CHOICE **Alan Bleasdale Presents: Pleasure** (Teletext) (s) (2835)

12.00 NEW **South Central.** Tina Lifford stars as a single mother bringing up her children in inner-city Los Angeles in the first of a ten-part comedy series (s) (66997)

12.30am Football Italia — Mezzanotte. Tonight's match from Serie A is Roma v Cagliari (20881)

1.30 World Tennis (35152)

2.00 FILM: Crack-Up (1936, b/w). Spy thriller starring Peter Lorre in a tale of cross and double-cross on the maiden flight of an innovative giant aircraft. With Brian Donlevy and Thomas Beck. Directed by Malcolm St Clair (5164862). Ends at **3.15**

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: 1.55 A Country Practice (89419651) **2.50-3.20** Blockbusters (1307496) **5.10-5.40** Shortland Street (9628477) **6.25-7.00** Anglia News (319274) **7.30-8.00** Bodyworks (274) **11.40** Prisoner: Cell Block H (431038) **12.35am** A Real American Hero (392336) **2.20** The Little Picture Show (7877125) **3.15** ITV Chart Show (7021317) **4.10** Nite Bites (25379713) **4.20** Jobfinder (6084317) **5.00-5.30** About Britain: The Hopeful Traveller (53572)

CENTRAL
As London except: 1.55 A Country Practice (89419651) **2.50-3.20** Blockbusters (1307496) **5.10-5.40** Shortland Street (9628477) **6.25-7.00** Central News and Weather (319274) **7.30-8.00** Heart of the Country (274) **11.40** The Equalizer (163125) **12.40am-1.40** The Best (2586572) **4.30** Jobfinder (3250152) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye (8120591)

GRANADA
As London except: 12.55 Home and Away (8836106) **1.25** Emmerdale (81091477) **1.55** Vanessa (89419651) **2.20** Mum's the Word (53083477) **2.50-3.20** Shortland Street (1307496) **5.10-5.40** A Country Practice (9628477) **6.25** Granada Tonight (319274) **7.00** Emmerdale (4458) **7.30-8.00** An American in... Need of a Break (274) **11.40** Granada Soccer Night (431038) **12.35am** A Real American Hero (392336) **2.20** The Little Picture Show (7877125) **3.15** ITV Chart Show (7021317) **4.10** Nite Bites (25379713) **4.20** Jobfinder (6084317) **5.00-5.30** About Britain: The Hopeful Traveller (53572)

HTV WEST
As London except: 2.25 Travel Trails (53062748) **2.55-3.20** Shortland Street (7554699) **5.10-5.40** A Country Practice (9628477) **5.55** Home and Away (670125) **6.25-7.00** HTV News (319274) **7.30-8.00** Fair's Fair (274) **11.40** Prisoner Cell Block H (431038) **12.35am** A Real American Hero (392336) **2.20** The Little Picture Show (7877125) **3.15** ITV Chart Show (7021317) **4.10** Nite Bites (25379713) **4.20** Jobfinder (6084317) **5.00-5.30** About Britain: The Hopeful Traveller (53572).

HTV WALES
As HTV WEST except: 6.25-7.00 Wales Tonight (319274) **7.30-8.00** Heroes (274) **10.30-10.40** HTV News (708390)

MERIDIAN
As London except: 12.20pm-12.30 Meridian News and Weather (1934564) **1.55pm** A Country Practice (89419651) **2.50-3.20** Shortland Street (1307496) **3.25-3.30** Meridian News and Weather (6775496) **5.10** Home and Away (9628477) **5.37-5.40** Three Minutes — Freescreen (637651) **6.00** Meridian Tonight (598) **6.30-7.00** What's My Line? (390) **7.30-8.00** Serve You Right (274) **10.30-10.40** Meridian News and Weather (708390) **11.40** Prisoner Cell Block H (163125) **12.40am-1.40** Memories of 1970-1991 (2586572)

WESTCOUNTRY
As London except: 9.55am-10.00 Westcountry News (2493274) **12.20pm** Westcountry News (1943212) **12.25pm-12.30** My Story (1942583) **2.25** The Young Doctors (53082748) **3.25-3.30** Westcountry News; Weather (6775496) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (9628477) **6.00-7.00** Westcountry Live (65423) **7.30-8.00** Vet (274) **10.30-10.40** Westcountry News; Weather (708390) **11.40** Prisoner Cell Block H (431038) **12.35am** A Real American Hero (392336) **2.20** The Little Picture Show (7877125) **3.15** ITV Chart Show (7021317) **4.10** Nite Bites (25379713) **4.20** Jobfinder (6084317) **5.00-5.30** About Britain: The Hopeful Traveller (53572)

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 1.55pm A Country Practice (89419651) **3.25-3.30** Yorkshire: Calendar News / Bilsdale: Network North (6775496) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (9628477) **5.55** Calendar / Network North (358767) **6.30-7.00** Crosswits (390) **7.30-8.00** The World in Our Gardens (274) **10.30-10.40** Calendar News (708390) **11.40** Your Match (431038) **12.35am** The Equalizer (2506336) **1.30** The Little Picture Show (78775) **2.30** Sport AM (80064) **3.30** Marquee Anniversary: Osibisa (2533591) **4.25-5.30** Jobfinder (2258930)

S4C
Starts: 7.00am The Big Breakfast (37835) **9.00** You Bet Your Life (85835) **9.30** Ysgolion/schools (346458) **12.00** House to House (45629) **12.30pm** Slot Meithrin: Ffwrdd â Ni (22854) **1.00** Hullabaloo (30922) **1.30** Hangin' with Mr Cooper: Baby Love (21125) **2.00** The Late Late Show (28699) **3.00** Simply the Best: Seafood of Jersey (4449) **3.30** Oprah Winfrey Show: Oprah Flies Her Studio Audience Away (2347813) **4.20** Deputy Dawg (7471854) **4.30** Happy Days: The Sign Game (187) **5.00** 5 Pump — Uned 5 (5564) **5.30** Fifteen to One (767) **6.00** Newyddion 6/ News (726336) **6.20** Heno (332125) **7.00** Pobol Y Cwm (2809) **7.30** Gwyn A' I Fyd (816) **8.00** Dal I Droi Y r Awstream (1748) **8.30** Newyddion/news (3583) **9.00** Equinox Special: The Mystery of Anastasia (8748) **10.00** Brookside (93800) **10.30** Dim Tafod (23922) **11.30** Raise the Red Lantern (63819477)

SATELLITE

SKY ONE
6.00am DJ Kat Show (32190596) **8.40** Cartoons (8480729) **9.30** Card Sharks (9118816) **9.55** Concentration (9126835) **10.25** Dynamo Duck (2872274) **10.30** New Candid Camera (25477) **11.00** Sally Jessy Raphael (70564) **12.00** The Urban Peasant (18729) **12.30pm** E Street (40274) **1.00** Falcon Crest (45729) **2.00** Hart to Hart (39729) **3.00** Class of '96 (9220854) **3.50** DJ Kat Show (3319038) **5.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (3361) **6.00** Gamesworld (9274) **6.30** Spellbound (3854) **7.00** E Street (4090) **7.30** M*A*S*H (9038) **8.00** Manhunter (13534) **9.00** Due South (86090) **10.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (98477) **11.00** David Letterman (248800) **11.45** Booker (234816) **12.45am** Barney Miller (20775) **1.15-1.45** Night Court (27688)

SKY NEWS
News on the hour.
6.00am Sunrise (1910545) **9.30** Fashion TV (84800) **10.30** Nightline (29019) **1.30pm** CBS This Morning (47187) **2.30** Parliament (6187) **3.15** Parliament (6995800) **5.00** Littlejohn (56835) **9.30** News Extra (51380) **11.30** CBS News (58654) **12.30am** ABC News (62607) **1.10** Littlejohn (1689713) **2.10** Newswatch (5953862) **2.30** Parliament (25387) **3.30** Parliament (93248) **4.30** CBS News (94404) **5.30-6.00** ABC News (90978)

SKY MOVIES
6.15am Showcase (65141584) **10.00 Thicker Than Blood** (1993): Melodrama (44090) **12.00 King's Pirate** (1967): Adventure (36632) **2.00 The Buddy System** (1984): Romantic comedy (87729) **4.00 The Blue Bird** (1976): Fairy-tale (35982187) **5.55 Thicker Than Blood:** As 10am (56413854) **7.30 Close-Up: Clive Barker** (4106) **8.00 JFK** (1991): Docudrama (71076477) **11.05 American Cyborg: Steel Warrior** (1992): Robot action (170106) **12.45 Swamp Thing** (1982): Horror romance (552881) **2.20 Marat/Sade** (1966): Drama (664807) **4.20-6.00 King's Pirate** (1967): As noon (352171)

SKY MOVIES GOLD
6.00pm The Lawless Breed (1952): Western (57071) **8.00 The Big Heat** (1953): Thriller (42227941) **9.35-12.00 The Day of the Locust** (1975): Drama (74211835)

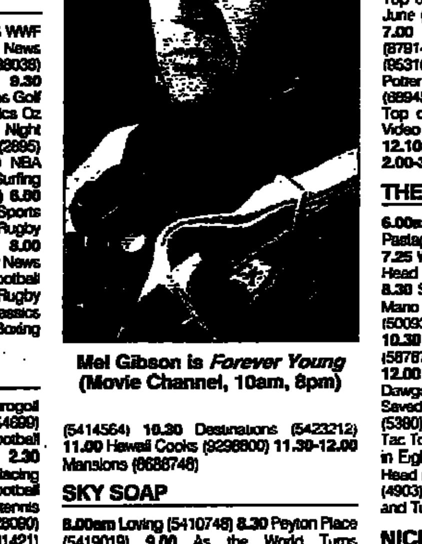
THE MOVIE CHANNEL
6.00am Hurricane Smith (1952): Adventure (63616) **8.00 Katy Meets the Aliens** (1989): Sci-fi (44651) **10.00 Forever Young** (1992): Romance (42632) **12.00 Sands of the Desert** (1960): Comedy (578767) **1.50pm Man's Favourite Sport** (1964): Comedy (88589380) **4.00 Katy Meets the Aliens:** As 8am (6835) **6.00 Year of the Comet** (1992): Comedy thriller (98835) **8.00 Forever Young:** As 10am (93380) **10.00 Basic Instinct** (1991): Chiller (98149835) **12.10am Folks!** (1992): Comedy (957152) **2.00 Killer Looks** (1992): Erotic drama (537249) **3.35 Child's Play** (1972): Drama (23263997)

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SKY SPORTS
7.00am Soccer News (6411309) **7.15** WWF Mania (817038) **8.15** Soccer News (6873598) **8.30** Fishing the West (38038) **9.00** Windsurfing Tour (12090) **9.30** Aerobics Oz Style (55293) **10.00** Ladies Golf — Solheim Cup (42729) **12.00** Aerobics Oz Style (32854) **12.30pm** Monday Night Football (69584) **2.30** One to One (2895) **3.00** Fishing the West (1477) **3.30** NBA Basketball Magazine (5090) **4.00** Surfing (81449) **5.00** WWF Superstars (2729) **6.00** Soccer News (712941) **6.15** Sky Sports Classics (717498) **6.30** Grass Roots Rugby (5854) **7.00** Boots 'n' All (24274) **8.00** Ringside Boxing (44036) **10.00** Soccer News (213496) **10.15** The Footballer's Football Show (634516) **11.15** Grass Roots Rugby (286477) **11.45** Sky Sports Classics (440496) **12.00-2.00am** Ringside Boxing (69442)

EUROSPORT
7.30am Step Aerobics (16380) **8.00** Eurogolf Magazine (65477) **9.00** Dancing (54699) **10.00** Cycling (12584) **11.00** Football (92941) **12.30pm** Football (54632) **2.30** Truck Racing (8941) **3.00** Car Racing (31980) **4.00** Nascar (92187) **5.00** Football (64125) **6.30** News (7962) **7.00** Eurotennis (42670) **8.00** Olympic Magazine (28090) **9.00** Boxing (48854) **10.00** Snooker (81421) **12.00-12.30am** Eurosport News (22591)

SKY TRAVEL
12.00 Destinations (5413835) **12.30pm** Kids Down Under (5670106) **1.00** Golf in Paradise (3963516) **1.30** Hawaii Cooks (5679477) **2.00** American Adventurer (5957748) **2.30** Pierre Franey's Cooking in America (6962212) **3.00** Travel (5969583) **3.30** Mansions (6941729) **4.00** Golf in Paradise (6953564) **4.30** Kids Down Under (6959748) **5.00** Hawaii Cooks (5868800) **5.30** Pierre Franey's Cooking in America (6860800) **6.00** Travel (6963941) **6.30** American Adventurer (6954293) **7.00** Destinations (5951564) **7.30** Around the World (6850477) **8.00** Sky Travel Guide (4906309) **9.00** Ticket to Paradise (9399583) **9.30** Pierre Franey's Cooking in America (5663670) **10.00** Roads to Freedom



Mel Gibson is *Forever Young* (Movie Channel, 10am, 8pm)

(5414564) **10.30** Destinations (5423212) **11.00** Hawaii Cooks (9298800) **11.30-12.00** Mansions (6688748)

SKY SOAP
8.00am Loving (5410748) **8.30** Peyton Place (5419019) **9.00** As the World Turns (2607038) **10.00** Guiding Light (1963336) **11.00-12.00** Another World (1068980)

TLC
9.00am Craftwise (7597545) **9.30** Cooking with Kurma (1057748) **10.00** Parents Talking (4436106) **10.30** Behind Closed Doors (1948903) **11.30** Discovering Psychology (5240816) **12.00** Magic or Medicine (1070699) **1.00pm** Cooking with Kurma (5955699) **1.30** Craftwise (1050835) **2.00** Who Cares Wins (1327816) **2.30** Divorcing Daddy (6965478) **3.00** Mushroom Magic (1339651) **3.30-4.00** Furniture to Go (5009613)

UK GO[illegible]
7.00am [illegible] Neighbours (8139922) **8.00** Sons and Daughters (9677564) **8.30** EastEnders (9676835) **9.00** The Bill (9667187) **9.30** The Chinese Detective (5371090) **10.30** Big Deal (88965816) **11.35** The Sullivans (19640380) **12.00** Sons and Daughters (9670651) **12.30pm** Neighbours (1995496) **1.00** EastEnders (8126458) **1.30** The Bill (1994767) **2.00** Potter (8780361) **2.30** Fall and Rise of Reginald Perrin (9510545) **3.00** Knots Landing (3808496) **4.00** Dynasty (3687903) **5.00** Every Second Counts (4169835) **5.35** Top of the Pops (6633274) **5.55** Terry and June (6833380) **6.30** EastEnders (9535854) **7.00** Fall and Rise of Reginald Perrin (8791477) **7.30** George and Mildred (8531038) **8.00** The River (8700125) **8.30** Potter (8789632) **9.00** The Sweeney (8894583) **10.00** The Bill (9671380) **10.30** Top of the Pops (1955816) **11.10** Naked Video (6972926) **11.40** Dr Who (7750583) **12.10am** Bergerac the Movie (4314775) **2.00-3.00** Shopping at Night (9745775)

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL
6.00am It's Drobee Time (49293) **7.00** Pastagums (8817545) **7.15** Titou (6858496) **7.25** Where's Wally (1661361) **7.55** Head to Head (3299729) **8.05** Eek the Cat (1134699) **8.30** Saved by the Bell (74800) **9.00** Super Mario Brothers (61380) **9.30** Art Attack (50093) **10.00** Beakman's World (70187) **10.30** Bobby's World (67564) **11.00** Jem (58787) **11.30** Beverly Hills Teens (59496) **12.00** Swamp Thing (58816) **12.30pm** Stunt Dawgs (15699) **1.00** Pugwall (16477) **1.30** Saved by the Bell (86470) **2.00** Eek the Cat (5380) **2.30** Babysitters Club (3651) **3.00** Tic Tac Toons (3714090) **3.10** Around the World in Eighty Seconds (5150090) **3.45** Head to Head in 3D (4944926) **4.00** The Bots Master (4903) **4.30-5.00** Halfway Across the Galaxy and Turn Left (4877)

NICKELODEON
7.00am Toons (17019) **7.30** Grimmy (3026922) **7.45** Rugrats (207477) **8.15** Rocko (2178980) **8.30** Ghostbusters (29380) **9.00** Nick Jr (394380) **12.00** Playhouse (30496) **12.30pm** Muppet Show (57651) **1.00** Doug (46390) **1.30** Chipmunks (56922) **2.00** Denver (3212) **2.30** Smoggies (8187) **3.00** Ghostbusters (9019) **3.30** Carmen Sandiego (3632) **4.00** Grimmy (2767) **4.30** Rugrats (1651) **5.00** Clarissa Explains It All (4564) **5.30** Doug (2903) **6.00** Guts (9816) **6.30-7.00** Dracula (3496)

DISCOVERY
4.00pm The Global Family (9967439) **4.30** Waterways (9521651) **5.00** A Traveller's Guide (8702583) **5.30** The New Explorers ([illegible]512903) **6.00** Beyond 2000 (1978729) **7.00** Pacifica (8799019) **7.30** Terra X (9522380) **8.00** Connections 2 (8708767) **8.30** From the Horse's Mouth (8787274) **9.00** Wings of the Red Star (6892125) **10.00** Discovery Journal (6895212) **11.00-12.00** The Astronomers (8134477)

BRAVO
12.00 FILM: Stranger from Venus (1954): Sci-fi (1983922) **1.30pm** The Mothers-in-Law (1989835) **2.00** thirtysomething (3936832) **3.00** My Three Sons (8794564) **3.30** The Beverly Hillbillies (9517458) **4.00** FILM: That's Your Funeral (1972): Comedy (1973545) **5.30** Drama Classics (9516729) **6.00** The Green Hornet (9539670) **6.30** The Time Tunnel (6522090) **7.30** Honey West (9526106) **8.00** thirtysomething (6876187) **9.00** The Twilight Zone (3601583) **9.30** Hogan's Heroes (1897800) **10.00-12.00** FILM: Porky's II (1983): High jinks (3692835)

UK LIVING
6.00am Anne and Nick (2353564) **7.00** Living (6385962) **8.00** Go for It (7592090) **8.30** The Truth about Women (7591361) **9.00** The Reluctant Cook (7603632) **9.35** Definition (4809212) **10.00** Trivia Trap (4423274) **10.30** Susan Powter (7511125) **11.00** Young and Restless (5939651) **12.00** The Calendar Fashion Show (5070877) **12.35pm** Kilroy (3923293) **1.30** Gardenwise (1045903) **2.00** Agony Hour (4424903) **3.00** Living (9461093) **3.45** Gladrags and Glamour (46645903) **4.00** Infatuation (4754926) **4.30** Definition (57058038) **4.55** Delia Smith (3174361) **5.30** Kate and Allie (4859570) **6.00** Maternal World (7009093) **6.30** Rodeo Drive (3304485) **7.00** Living (4091583) **8.00** Young and Restless (4077903) **9.00** FILM: Held Hostage: True story (88669816) **10.50** Short Shorts (1780458) **11.00** Infatuation UK (5259564) **11.30-12.00** Maternal World (4429458)

FAMILY CHANNEL
5.00pm Tintin (6632) **5.30** Boogies Diner (4767) **6.00** The New Adventures of Black Beauty (4380) **6.30** Through the Keyhole (5632) **7.00** Trivial Pursuit (6496) **7.30** The Mighty Jungle (1816) **8.00** The Darling Buds of May (82212) **9.00** Moonlighting (79748) **10.00** Catchphrase (59545) **10.30** GP (68293) **11.00** Lou Grant (26854) **12.00** Rhoda (60775) **12.30pm** Big Brother Jake (31775) **1.00** Family Catchphrase (93713) **1.30** Trivial Pursuit (61107) **2.00** Moonlighting (91539) **3.00** Lou Grant (91688) **4.00** Rhoda (34607) **4.30-5.00** The Mighty Jungle (81978)

MTV
6.00am Awake on the Wildside (25794) **6.30** The Grind (81293) **7.00** Awake on the Wildside (96748) **8.00** VJ Ingo (614496) **10.30** The Pulse (69922) **11.00** Soul (14019) **12.00** Greatest Hits (96564) **1.00pm** The Afternoon Mix (345485) **3.30** The Report (3699039) **3.45** CineMatic (2144944) **4.00** News (1684632) **4.15** Three from One (1607583) **4.30** Dial (2545) **5.00** Music Non-stop (34075) **6.30** Sports (7090) **7.00** Greatest Hits (75922) **8.00** Most Wanted (67699) **9.30** Beavis and Butt-Head (97293) **10.00** The Report (399011) **10.15** CineMatic (343516) **10.30** News (854380) **10.45** Three from One (859835) **11.00** The End? (16106) **1.00am** Soul (95220) **2.00** The Grind (5255775) **1.30-6.00** Night Videos (6835171)

VH-1
7.00am Crawling from the Wreckage (4313057) **9.00** Café (1484125) **12.00** The Bridge (6320583) **1.30pm** Ten of the Best (6469651) **2.30** Heart and Soul (8785941) **3.30** Into the Music (7888748) **6.00** Prime Cuts (5680583) **7.00** For You (4991019) **8.00** Rock (4800767) **9.00** Ten of the Best (4980903) **10.00** The Bridge (2603212) **11.30** Top 5 (8680106) **12.00** The Nightfly (5856539) **2.00am** Prime Cuts (1194355) **3.00** Rock (8309888) **4.00** Ten of the Best (8676713) **5.00-7.00** Dawn Patrol (8335152)

TV ASIA
6.00am Persian Dawn (43019) **7.00** Asian Morning (72274) **8.30** Bunyaad (74854) **9.00** FILM (949854) **12.00** Serial (78570) **12.30pm** Serial (60075) **1.00** FILM: Koshish (838816) **4.00** Kiddie Time (8729) **4.30** TVA and You (4012) **5.00-6.00** Bunyaad (2293) **7.00** Serial: Doop Chaon (1800) **7.30** India Show (2380) **8.00** News Bulletin (3909) **8.30** Dos Pardos (2583) **9.00** Bollywood Plus (94545) **9.30** Film (38296019) **12.05am** Five Past Midnight (6196423) **1.35** Sight and Sound (29751625)

CARTOON NETWORK/TNT
Continuous cartoons from 5am to 7pm, then TNT films as below.
Theme: Spotlight on Elizabeth Taylor
7.00pm The Girl Who Had Everything (1953) (99992361) **8.20 Father's Little Dividend** (1951) (40370922) **9.55 Conspirator** (1949) (75268748) **11.35 Love Is Better Than Ever** (1952) (59024274) **1.05am Cynthia** (1947) (10635959) **3.00-5.00 The Girl Who Had Everything** (68669713)

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England restrict changes to recall of Guscott and Johnson


Guscott: luminous skills

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FOR all the hints that had been dropped about the possibility of change for England's pre-Christmas international rugby union programme, when it came to the announcement yesterday of the side to play Romania on November 12 there was a strong element of conservatism.

Indeed, the side for the match at Twickenham differs in only two respects from that which took the field against South Africa in Cape Town in June and, had they been available, both Jeremy Guscott and Martin Johnson would have been in that line-up. It is possible to envisage this England team doing battle when the World Cup opens in South Africa next May.

Speculation, nourished by the England selectors, had suggested that the meetings at Twickenham with Romania and Canada (on December 10) could be used to introduce such players as Graham Rowntree or Simon Shaw to the rigours of international rugby. That may yet prove to be the case against the Canadians and there is still the five nations' championship to come, but clearly the management has gone for a team which, they believe, will give them the best possible start to this protracted season.

Will Carling, winning his fiftieth cap, resumes the partnership with Guscott that has served England so well in 27 internationals. Guscott has only once played alongside another centre, Simon Halliday, in his debut game, also against Romania, in Bucharest in 1989. Since Guscott scored three tries that day it may be a shrewd psychological ploy to bring him back against the same opponents.

ENGLAND: P A Hull (Bristol); T Underwood (Leicester), W D C Carling (Harlequins, captain), J C Guscott (Bath), R Underwood (Leicester and RAF); C R Andrew (Wasps), C D Morris (Orrell); J Leonard (Harlequins), B C Moore (Harlequins), V E Ubogu (Bath), T A K Rodber (Northampton and Army), M C Johnson (Leicester), M C Bayfield (Northampton), S O Ojomoh (Bath), B B Clarke (Bath). Replacements: P R de Glanville (Bath), M J Catt (Bath), K P P Bracken (Bristol), R G R Dawe (Bath), G C Rowntree (Leicester), D Richards (Leicester).

After a year spent recovering from a painful pelvic condition, Guscott, 29, can have had no expectation of resuming his international career straight away. In addition, the form of Philip de Glanville, his Bath colleague, has been one of the most consistent features of England's inconsistent past 12 months, yet in two games Guscott has shown enough glimpses of his luminous running skills to earn a recall.

Johnson, the Leicester lock, was punched out of the tour to South Africa by the Transvaal prop, Johan le Roux, who subsequently earned greater notoriety for his ear-biting exploit in New Zealand. Johnson takes the place occupied by Nigel Redman, but the area which caused most debate was the back row.

Ben Clarke is restored to his favoured position of No 8, which he occupied in Cape Town because Dean Richards was injured. Tim Rodber plays at blind-side flanker, a gesture of confidence for one whose tour to South Africa ended on such a downbeat note, and Steve Ojomoh — by no means a regular in Bath's first team this season — is given the contentious No 7 jersey, ahead of Clarke and Neil Back.

Clarke was always a reluctant open-side flanker and it remains to be seen whether he or Richards is preferred in the new year at No 8. Richards looked sharper playing for Leicester against Bath on Saturday than for some time and his instinct for the game far outweighs that of Clarke; in the Bath man's favour is his pace over hard ground and his extra height at the tail of the lineout.

That saga will run and run, as will the debate over open side. The selectors have asked the South-West to play Ojomoh at No 7 in the divisional championship next month, which means that the division will be unable to play Derek Eves, their captain last season, there. In addition, London have been asked to play Lawrence Dallaglio at open side and Shaw, the Bristol front-jumping lock, in the middle of the lineout.

Coaches the world over believe open-side flanker to be a specialist position yet England persist in trying to convert Ojomoh in the hardest of arenas — international rugby. Eves, who is not a member of the national training squad, and Back may feel justifiably disappointed, though their time may yet come.

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Great Britain captain gambles on suspension being reduced

Edwards runs risk with ban appeal

BY CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

SHAUN Edwards, the Great Britain rugby league captain, is to appeal against the three-match suspension that will put him out of the second John Smith's international against Australia at Old Trafford on Saturday week. In doing so, he runs the risk of being banned from the series altogether.

It is a course open to the international board appeal panel of two British officials and an Australian chairman tomorrow. So is reducing the ban of three games, which would make Edwards available once more for the Old Trafford game and perhaps provoke an even greater controversy.

After pleading guilty to misconduct, namely the reckless head-high tackle on Bradley Clyde, of Australia, that brought about his first-half dismissal at Wembley on Saturday, Edwards considered the sentence, which included a £1,000 fine, to be unduly harsh.

He emerged after giving evidence during an hour-long hearing before the international disciplinary committee in Leeds yesterday with few words other than to indicate that he did not consider the matter over with. "I'm appealing against the severity of the verdict and it would be unwise of me to say anything further," he said.

The Australia management was satisfied at the outcome but any reduction in sentence by the appeal panel, although final, would bring an understandable outcry. A suspension of two games would immediately restore Edwards's international place as Wigan's game at Hull on Friday would account for one and a reserve fixture on the eve of the second Test the other. This can legitimately count as part of his ban as Wigan have postponed their game with Featherstone that weekend.

In handing him a three-match ban, the committee yesterday took into account Edwards's good disciplinary record in more than 400 matches. Tom Bellew, director of the Australian Rugby League and chairman of the commitee, said: "Edwards offered some explanations which are confidential between the committee. We accepted his plea of guilty to acting recklessly. His previous good record was taken into account — he had been suspended for one match for retaliation on one occasion three years ago."

When arriving at its verdict tomorrow, the appeal panel will be mindful of the recent furore at a two-match suspension given to Barrie McDermott, Wigan's prop forward, for a high tackle on Australia's Paul Sironen.

There is no doubting that the stiff-arm tackle on Clyde, which Edwards has apologised for and bitterly regrets, was an atrocious-looking incident, but its intention was not proven. As Clyde cut back inside, Edwards was wrong-footed but committed, and the action, he has said, was reflex and not deliberate.

As he did for the best part of the game on Saturday, Phil Clark, of Wigan, would assume the captaincy duties at Old Trafford. With Edwards missing, it has raised the intriguing possibility of a quick return by Garry Schofield, the former captain.

Clyde, who attended yesterday's hearing, hopes to be fit for the second international. "The doctor would not like to see me play before then," Clyde said. "I woke up yesterday still feeling nauseous, but I feel fine now." Laurie Daley is more of a doubt at this stage with a torn thigh muscle.


Edwards declines the chance to enlarge on his appeal decision in Leeds yesterday. Photograph: Ross Parry

Australia have included seven of the side defeated at Wembley in the 17 for their match tomorrow against Sheffield Eagles, who will be missing Daryl Powell, the Britain stand-off half, because of a dead-leg.

Before the second Great Britain international, Jonathan Davies (shoulder) and Allan Bateman (hamstring) are fighting to be fit for the Wales game with the Kangaroos at Cardiff on Sunday. "Britain wouldn't be the same without Jonathan; multiply that value by ten and that's his importance to us." Clive Griffiths, the Wales coach, said.

Despite having played one reserve game in eight months, John Devereux is set to play. With Anthony Sullivan and Mark Jones injured, and Barrie Williams unavailable, Jonathan Griffiths may switch from half back to hooker.

AUSTRALIA (v Sheffield Eagles): B Mullins (Canberra); T Brasher (Balmain), P McGregor (Illawarra), T Hill (Manly), R Wishart (Illawarra); K Walters (Brisbane), R Stuart (Canberra); D Pay (Canterbury), S Walters (Canberra), G Lazarus (Brisbane), D Fairleigh (North Sydney), S Menzies (Manly), J Smith (Canterbury). Substitutes: A Ettingshausen (Cronulla), G Fiorimo (North Sydney), D Furner (Canberra), P Harragon (Newcastle).

Stewart expects broken finger to mend quickly

FROM MICHAEL HENDERSON IN PERTH

ALEC Stewart, the vice-captain of the England cricket team, will miss the opening matches of the tour after breaking his right index finger in practice. Stewart, who will open the batting this winter, received a nasty blow when batting against Craig White, the Yorkshire all-rounder.

"It is a bit of bad luck," Stewart said. "I hope I will not be out of action for more than ten days.

"I like to play as much as I can and get stuck into the cricket straight away. Lilac Hill, where we are playing tomorrow, is my club and I get a good reception there. I just hope I will be fit for the four-day game against South Australia."

Dave Roberts, the England physiotherapist, said that the hairline fracture could have been a lot worse but for the protective splints that most of England's batsmen now wear inside their gloves.

"Alec should be able to start batting again in the nets in a week and he's a quick healer so I wouldn't rule out the South Australia match," Roberts said.

Stewart's injury is nothing like as serious as that suffered by Graham Gooch on the same ground in 1990. He developed a poisoned hand after his finger was broken by a Robin Smith straight drive and missed the first Test, which England lost.

Stewart's absence for the first-class match against Western Australia in Perth may provide John Crawley with the opportunity to make runs going in first with Michael Atherton. Crawley is not playing in the opening match at Lilac Hill. Instead Atherton will open the batting with Gooch, with Graeme Hick and Graham Thorpe and Mike Gatting occupying the other three batting places. Apart from Stewart, everyone will get a game before the four-day match against Western Australia.

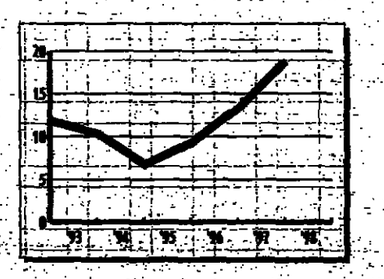
Crawley and White will play in the day-night match at the WACA on Thursday, when Devon Malcolm and Phil Tufnell play in place of Martin McCague and Joey Benjamin.

After inflicting the injury upon Stewart, White became the next England casualty, turning his right ankle while chasing a ball in the outfield. The Yorkshire all-rounder, bowling for the first time in the middle since his season was ended by a shin injury at the end of July, had looked impressive. Fortunately, he was not seriously hurt.

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ENGLAND (v Chairman's XI): M A Atherton, G A Gooch, G A Hick, G P Thorpe, M W Gatting, S J Rhodes, P A J DeFreitas, S D Udal, D Gough, M J McCague, J E Benjamin.

ENGLAND (v Western Australia, day-night one-day match): Atherton, Gooch, Hick, Thorpe, J P Crawley, C White, Rhodes, Gough, DeFreitas, D E Malcolm, P C R Tufnell.



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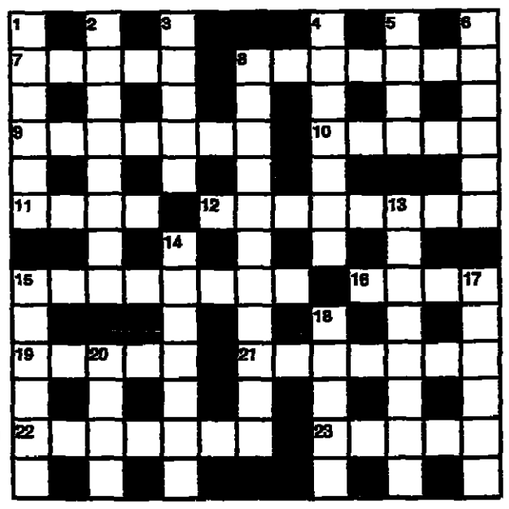
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ACROSS
7 Outburst; white mark on face (5)
8 Feebly compliant individual (7)
9 Become popular; finally understand (5,2)
10 Unchallengeable proposition (5)
11 Flickering mush (TV); natural fall (4)
12 50p-piece shape (8)
15 Pistols, etc, worn by officer (4-4)
16 Gibe; sharp point (4)
19 Effective, binding (5)
21 Person designated (as candidate) (7)
22 Group of nests; slum tenement (7)
23 Relish, enthusiasm (5)

DOWN
1 Counting-frame (6)
2 Take-away meals (4,4)
3 River of forgetfulness (5)
4 (Seasoning added) empirically (2,5)
5 African tribal army (4)
6 Male organ of flower (6)
8 Extra pay for risky work (6,5)
13 Soviet 'openness' (8)
14 Master of working dog (7)
15 Harsh (6)
17 From Brittany; André –, French surrealist (6)
18 Insect after metamorphosis (5)
20 Proceeds of raid (4)

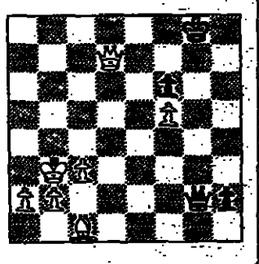
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ACROSS: 1 Post factum 9 Epicene 10 Finer 11 Tier 12 Fabulous 14 Employ 15 Snatch 18 Immanent 20 Gulp 22 Douse 23 Overeat 24 Post-modern

DOWN: 2 Over 3 Trepan 4 Affluent 5 Tango 6 More's the pity 7 Get the wind up 8 Give up 13 Moonbeam 16 Toupée 17 Ungood 19 Mauls 21 Jeer

By Raymond Keene

This position is from the game Simagin - Bronstein, Moscow 1947. Can White win despite the imminent arrival of a new black queen on h1? This is a difficult problem and anyone who solves it can consider themselves a strong player.



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By Philip Howard

NEKTONIC
a. Swimming
b. Woven fibre-glass
c. A hormone

KHLIST
a. Volcanic dust
b. A semi-precious stone
c. A masochistic sectarian

MINETTE
a. A child ballet dancer
b. A low-grade iron
c. An early torpedo

KRAMAT
a. A desert sun shelter
b. A Muslim holy place
c. An Ottoman court

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